



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OF

MILLIS MASS

For the FISCAL YEAR

ENDING

DECEMBER

31

1954

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LIBRARY  
AND TOWN OFFICE

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MILLIS, MASS.







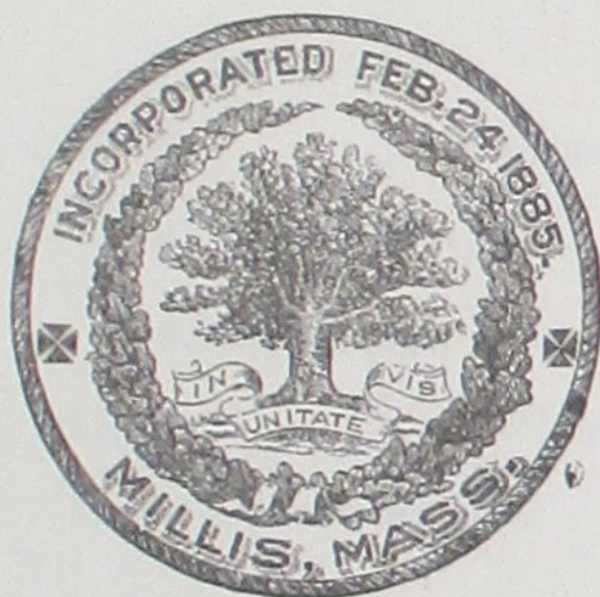
*The Sixty-Ninth Annual Report*

of the

**Officers**

of the

**Town of Millis**



for the

**Year Ending December 31**

**1954**

D. C. COLLINS Co., Millis, Massachusetts







**TOWN OFFICERS — 1954**

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|                       |                    |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Moderator</b>      | Rudolph F. King    |
| <b>Town Clerk</b>     | Lloyd C. King      |
| <b>Town Treasurer</b> | Leonard W. Lindahl |
| <b>Tax Collector</b>  | Harry Stanley Hart |

**Selectmen**

|                          |                       |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Michael E. Collins, 1955 | Morris Mushnick, 1956 |
| Horace V. Balkam, 1957   |                       |

**Assessors**

|                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| George D. Cassidy, 1955  | George Y. Robinson, 1956 |
| Millard B. LaCroix, 1957 |                          |

**Public Welfare**

|                          |                        |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Adam P. Consoletti, 1955 | Thomas J. Clancy, 1956 |
| Merle A. Browne, 1957    |                        |

**School Committee**

|                           |                          |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Robert W. McDonough, 1955 | Frederick J. Welch, 1955 |
| Stuart M. King, 1956      |                          |
| Earl H. Merkle, 1957      | Priscilla Dewey, 1957    |

**Water Commissioners**

|                             |                      |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Raymond D. Woodmansee, 1955 | Paul T. Clancy, 1956 |
| Elwayne K. Coldwell, 1957   |                      |



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**Sewer Commissioners**

George Sarris, 1955

John E. Skarp, 1956

George DeAngelis, 1957

**Park Commissioners**

Robert J. Collins, 1955

George W. Duhamel, 1956

Robert N. Leslie, 1957

**Cemetery Commissioners**

Walter W. Hoar, 1955

Floyd A. Russell, 1956

Rudolph F. King, 1957

**Library Trustees**

Florence R. Gilboy, 1955

Priscilla D. Paine, 1956

Bertha L. Shepardson, 1957

**Constables**

Henry J. Cassidy

John F. Sullivan

**Tree Warden**

Arthur M. Smith

**Planning Board**

James R. McDonough, 1959

Charles Van S. Purdy, 1958

Talbot Dewey, 1957

James F. Clark, Jr., 1956

Alexander H. Harcovitz, 1955

**Chief of Police**

John M. Gately



**COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR**

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**Finance Committee**

Stephen Paine

James J. Clancy

Thomas S. Lydon

Raymond E. Simpson

Louis Thorne

**Smoke and Odor Nuisance Committee**

John J. Ward

John Ellington

Dalton H. Wein

**Elementary School Building Committee**

William R. Porter

Harold Voyer

Mrs. Gertrude Kenney

Charles F. Mandell

Frederick J. Welch

Robert Morse

Joseph Winiker

**Memorial Day Committee**

Anthony Bando

Philip Gavin, Jr.

Maynard Gould

Anthony Rosati

Roderick MacLeod

Leonard Lindahl

John Breen

Earl Merkle

Theodore Ackroyd

Merle Browne

John Downing

Edwin Waite



## OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN

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### Town Accountant

Lawrence J. Reardon, 1956

### Registrars of Voters

Daniel L. Murphy, 1955

Woodworth J. Rice, 1956

William J. Christian, 1957

### Public Weighers

Morris Mushnick

Michael Mushnick

Joseph Winiker

### Board of Fire Engineers

John J. Ward

Moody J. Richardson

Arthur B. Watson

### Fence Viewers

Elbridge Clark

Moody J. Richardson

### Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

Otto Lindahl

Frank Hamm

Inspector of Slaughtering

Timothy J. McCarthy

Sealer of Weights and Measures

John J. Ward

Forest Warden

Moody J. Richardson

Animal Inspector

Timothy J. McCarthy

Milk Inspector

Philip J. Gavin, Jr.

Field Driver

John M. Gately



|                                     |                       |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Dog Officer</b>                  | Henry J. Cassidy      |
| <b>Superintendent of Streets</b>    | William F. Cunningham |
| <b>Director of Veterans Service</b> | Philip J. Gavin, Jr.  |
| <b>Moth Superintendent</b>          | John E. Skarp         |
| <b>Wire Inspector</b>               | Raymond D. Woodmansee |

**Town Council**

Barnard Bachner

**Special Police**

|                  |                       |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| John F. Sullivan | Carl E. Bennett       |
| Henry J. Cassidy | Thomas J. Cassidy     |
| Thomas J. Norton | William F. Cunningham |
| Morris Mushnick  | Michael E. Collins    |
| Leo Cassidy      | Horace V. Balkam      |
| Harold Campbell  | Lewis Holbrook        |

**Agent of Board of Health**

John M. Gately

**Zoning Law Appeal Board**

|                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| William F. Wright | Anthony P. Meleski |
| Charles E. Inches | Manuel Rosen       |
| Howard Payson     |                    |

**Insurance Agent of Records**

Daniel L. Murphy



# RESULTS OF THE VOTE CAST AT THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

## February 8, 1954

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|                                                       |     |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Moderator, one year, Rudolph F. King                  | 659 |
| Town Clerk, one year, Lloyd C. King                   | 668 |
| Treasurer, one year, Leonard W. Lindahl               | 575 |
| Tax Collector, three years                            |     |
| Harry Stanley Hart                                    | 452 |
| Charlotte M. Lindahl                                  | 303 |
| Blanks                                                | 37  |
| Board of Public Welfare, three years, Merle A. Browne | 618 |
| Assessor, three years, Millard B. LaCroix             | 637 |
| Selectman, three years, Horace V. Balkam              | 599 |
| School Committee, three years                         |     |
| Earl H. Merkle                                        | 537 |
| Priscilla Dewey                                       | 424 |
| Robert D. Frink                                       | 329 |
| Blanks                                                | 6   |
| Tree Warden, three years, Arthur M. Smith             | 634 |
| Library Trustee, three years, Bertha L. Shepardson    | 622 |
| Cemetery Commissioner, three years, Rudolph F. King   | 626 |
| Water Commissioner, three years                       |     |
| Elwayne K. Coldwell                                   | 481 |
| Joseph J. Sokol                                       | 277 |
| Blanks                                                | 34  |
| Sewer Commissioner, three years, George DeAngelis     | 631 |
| Park Commisisoner, three years, Robert N. Leslie      | 580 |



|                             |     |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| Planning Board, five years  |     |
| Dalton H. Wein              | 323 |
| James R. McDonough          | 386 |
| Charles F. Mandell          | 1   |
| Blanks                      | 82  |
| Planning Board, four years  |     |
| Charles Van S. Purdy        | 428 |
| Huna Rosenfeld              | 268 |
| Blanks                      | 96  |
| Planning Board, three years |     |
| Charles W. Batchelder       | 324 |
| Talbot Dewey                | 323 |
| Blanks                      | 145 |
| Planning Board, two years   |     |
| Arthur B. Blackett          | 220 |
| James F. Clark, Jr.         | 287 |
| Henry J. Lewandowski        | 173 |
| Blanks                      | 112 |
| Planning Board, one year    |     |
| Alexander H. Harcovitz      | 574 |
| Constables, one year        |     |
| Henry J. Cassidy            | 677 |
| John F. Sullivan            | 649 |

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## RECORD OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

### Held in the High School Auditorium

**Millis, Massachusetts, Monday, February 15, 1954**

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The Annual Business Meeting of the Town of Millis was held Monday evening, February 15, 1954, in the High School Auditorium, and called to order by the Moderator, Rudolph F. King, at 7:30 P.M.



The Town Warrant was read which was signed by Selectmen Horace V. Balkam, Michael E. Collins and Morris Mushnick; Attest: Henry J. Cassidy, Constable.

There being no objections offered, the reading of the various Articles was omitted to be read and acted upon individually.

The Annual Town Election of Officers was held in the High School Auditorium, Monday, February 8, 1954, at which time and place Article 1 of the Warrant was disposed of, which reads as follows:

ARTICLE 1—To choose a Moderator for one year, a Town Clerk for one year, a Town Treasurer for one year, two Constables for one year, Tax Collector for three years, one Selectman for three years, one member of Board of Public Welfare for three years, one Assessor for three years, two School Committeemen for three years, one Trustee of Public Library for three years, one Park Commissioner for three years, one Sewer Commissioner for three years, one Water Commissioner for three years, one member of the Planning Board for five years, one member of Planning Board for four years, one member of Planning Board for three years, one member of Planning Board for two years, one member of Planning Board for one year.

whereupon it was here omitted and business proceeded directly to Article 2.

ARTICLE 2—To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

At this time after a discussion of certain reports it was *Voted* to accept the various Town Officers and Committees reports as printed.

ARTICLE 3—To appropriate money for all necessary expenses including a sum sufficient to pay all Town Officers' salaries. *Note:* The tabulation of Departmental salaries and expenses listed under this Article in the Finance Committee Report includes 20 items which heretofore required 20 individual Articles, such as Law and Order, Board of Health, Town Clock, Civil Defense, etc.



*Voted* individually on the various Town Departments, Officers' salaries and expenses as follows:

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

#### SELECTMEN

|          |          |          |
|----------|----------|----------|
| Salaries | \$300.00 | \$300.00 |
|----------|----------|----------|

#### TOWN ACCOUNTANT

|                                    |          |  |
|------------------------------------|----------|--|
| Salary—Retroactive to Jan. 1, 1954 | 1,000.00 |  |
| Expenses                           | 150.00   |  |
|                                    | <hr/>    |  |
|                                    | 1,150.00 |  |

#### TREASURER

|            |        |  |
|------------|--------|--|
| Salary     | 450.00 |  |
| Expenses   | 350.00 |  |
| Tax Titles | 25.00  |  |
|            | <hr/>  |  |

825.00

#### TAX COLLECTOR

|             |        |  |
|-------------|--------|--|
| Salary      | 775.00 |  |
| Expenses    | 800.00 |  |
| Tax Takings | 50.00  |  |
|             | <hr/>  |  |

1,625.00

#### ASSESSORS

|          |        |  |
|----------|--------|--|
| Salaries | 720.00 |  |
| Expenses | 850.00 |  |
|          | <hr/>  |  |

1,570.00

#### TOWN CLERK

|          |        |  |
|----------|--------|--|
| Salary   | 175.00 |  |
| Expenses | 350.00 |  |
|          | <hr/>  |  |

525.00

#### ELECTION OFFICERS

|          |        |  |
|----------|--------|--|
| Salaries | 300.00 |  |
| Expenses | 600.00 |  |
|          | <hr/>  |  |

900.00

#### BOARD OF REGISTRARS

|          |        |  |
|----------|--------|--|
| Salaries | 45.00  |  |
| Expenses | 300.00 |  |
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345.00



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**TOWN OFFICE**

|                                               |          |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------|
| Salary—Clerk                                  | 2,340.00 |
| Salary—Janitor—Retroactive to<br>Jan. 1, 1954 | 200.00   |
| Expenses                                      | 1,960.00 |
| Town Reports                                  | 1,500.00 |

6,000.00

**LEGAL ADVICE AND EXPENSE  
PLANNING BOARD**

350.00 350.00

|          |        |        |
|----------|--------|--------|
| Expenses | 250.00 | 250.00 |
|----------|--------|--------|

\$13,840.00**PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY****POLICE DEPARTMENT**

|                       |          |          |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|
| Salaries and Expenses | 8,690.00 | 8,690.00 |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|

**DOG OFFICER**

|        |        |        |
|--------|--------|--------|
| Salary | 100.00 | 100.00 |
|--------|--------|--------|

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Fire Commissioners—Salaries   | 200.00   |
| Firemen—Salaries and Expenses | 6,865.00 |

7,065.00

**SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

|          |       |
|----------|-------|
| Salary   | 50.00 |
| Expenses | 50.00 |

100.00

**GYPSY MOTH DEPARTMENT**

|          |          |          |
|----------|----------|----------|
| Expenses | 1,400.00 | 1,400.00 |
|----------|----------|----------|

**TREE DEPARTMENT**

|          |          |          |
|----------|----------|----------|
| Expenses | 1,700.00 | 1,700.00 |
|----------|----------|----------|

**WIRE INSPECTOR**

|        |        |        |
|--------|--------|--------|
| Salary | 100.00 | 100.00 |
|--------|--------|--------|

**DUTCH ELM DISEASE**

|          |          |          |
|----------|----------|----------|
| Expenses | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
|----------|----------|----------|

\$21,155.00**HEALTH AND SANITATION**

|                      |          |
|----------------------|----------|
| DENTAL HEALTH CLINIC | 1,000.00 |
| BOARD OF HEALTH      | 1,500.00 |



|                                       |          |          |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| GARBAGE DISPOSAL                      | 1,800.00 |          |          |
| INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING             | 480.00   |          |          |
| ANIMAL INSPECTOR                      | 150.00   |          |          |
| MILK INSPECTOR                        | 50.00    |          |          |
| <b>SEWER DEPARTMENT</b>               |          |          |          |
| Commissioners salaries—Retroactive to |          |          |          |
| Jan. 1, 1954                          | 200.00   |          |          |
| Maintenance                           | 2,500.00 |          |          |
|                                       | <hr/>    |          |          |
|                                       |          | 7,680.00 | 7,680.00 |

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

|                                       |           |           |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES</b>           |           |           |           |
| Wages and Expenses                    | 11,550.00 |           |           |
| <b>CHAPTER 81</b>                     |           |           |           |
| Wages—Town's Share                    | 6,300.00  |           |           |
| <b>SNOW REMOVAL</b>                   |           |           |           |
| Expenses—(See VOTE at end of          |           |           |           |
| tabulation)                           | 5,500.00  |           |           |
| <b>STREET LIGHTING</b>                | 5,000.00  |           |           |
| <b>CHAPTER 90 and SPECIAL REPAIRS</b> | 1,000.00  |           |           |
|                                       | <hr/>     |           |           |
|                                       |           | 29,350.00 | 29,350.00 |

**CHARITIES**

|                                        |           |           |           |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>WELFARE BOARD</b>                   | 250.00    |           |           |
| <b>GENERAL RELIEF</b>                  | 6,400.00  |           |           |
| <b>TOTAL DISABILITY—In addition to</b> |           |           |           |
| Federal Grants                         | 3,300.00  |           |           |
| <b>AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN—</b>      |           |           |           |
| In addition to Federal Grants          | 6,000.00  |           |           |
| <b>OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—In addition</b>  |           |           |           |
| to Federal Grants                      | 40,000.00 |           |           |
| <b>DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION—</b>      |           |           |           |
| In addition to Federal Grants          | 2,200.00  |           |           |
|                                        | <hr/>     |           |           |
|                                        |           | 58,150.00 | 58,150.00 |
| <b>VETERANS</b>                        |           |           |           |
| Benefits                               | 2,000.00  |           |           |
| Administration                         | 1,250.00  |           |           |
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|                                        |           | 3,250.00  | 3,250.00  |



## ANNUAL REPORT

## EDUCATION

## SCHOOL

|                              |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Committee salaries           | 250.00    |
| Teachers' salaries           | 88,817.00 |
| Expenses                     | 35,592.00 |
| VOCATIONAL TUITION           | 1,200.00  |
| SUMMER RECREATIONAL PROGRAM  | 600.00    |
| ADULT EVENING PRACTICAL ARTS | 350.00    |

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126,809.00 126,809.00

## PUBLIC LIBRARY

|                                   |          |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Expenses—Plus Library Trust Funds | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|

## CEMETERIES

|          |          |
|----------|----------|
| 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 |
|----------|----------|

## WATER DEPARTMENT

|                                                 |           |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Commissioners—Salaries                          | 200.00    |
| Registrar—Salary—Retroactive<br>to Jan. 1, 1954 | 400.00    |
| Registrar's Expense                             | 150.00    |
| Expenses                                        | 14,000.00 |

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14,750.00

## UNCLASSIFIED

|                     |        |
|---------------------|--------|
| MEMORIAL DAY        | 500.00 |
| LEGION HEADQUARTERS | 600.00 |
| TOWN CLOCK          | 100.00 |

## INSURANCE

|                                                                                                                                               |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Liability - Employees - Audit Prop-<br>erty Insurance - Motor Vehicle &<br>Liability Insurance - Motor Vehicle<br>& Liability Insurance Audit | 6,000.00 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| PENSIONS          | 2,220.94  |
| PARK DEPARTMENT   | 2,200.00  |
| MEMORIAL PARK     | 150.00    |
| SERVICE BOARD     | 150.00    |
| CIVIL DEFENSE     | 200.00    |
| DEBT and INTEREST | 17,366.00 |

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\$29,486.94 \$29,486.94

Grand Total of Article 3

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\$307,970.94



Under SNOW REMOVAL, a motion was made that \$5,500.00 be appropriated for snow removal.

Amended motion made that \$5,500.00, be appropriated for snow removal and that no money from this appropriation be used to plow or remove snow from any private driveways with the exception of the Church property or unaccepted Streets used in common by the public.

Tellers appointed: Mr. Lawrence Reardon and Mr. Woodworth Rice and by rising count "Yes" 141; "No" 16, the amendment was *Voted*.

*Voted* that \$5,500.00, be appropriated for snow removal and that no money from this appropriation be used to plow or remove snow from any private driveways with the exception of Church property or unaccepted Streets used in common by the public.

ARTICLE 4—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00, for the salary of the Visiting Nurse for the year 1954; said appropriation is in no way to be construed as meaning that the Association has to furnish any free service to any category of public assistance, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* that the sum of \$2,500.00, be appropriated for the salary of the Visiting Nurse for the year 1954; said appropriation is in no way to be construed as meaning that the Association has to furnish any free service to any category of public assistance.

ARTICLE 5—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money, said sum being the portion of the expense incurred and apportioned by the County Commissioners for the care and maintenance of Norfolk County Hospital, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* that the sum of \$3,430.25, be appropriated for the portion of the expense incurred and apportioned by the County Commissioners for the care and maintenance of Norfolk County Hospital.

ARTICLE 6—To see if the Town will vote to continue the committee appointed by the Moderator for the purpose of planning a



Memorial to members of the Armed Services who served in World War II, the committee to report at a future Town Meeting, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* to continue the committee appointed by the Moderator for the purpose of planning a Memorial to members of the Armed Services who served in World War II, the committee to report at a future Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 7—To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$1,954.70, from the inactive road machinery account to the active road machinery account, to be used for Road Machinery purposes, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* to transfer the sum of \$1,954.70, from the inactive Road Machinery account to the Active Road Machinery account, to be used for Road Machinery purposes.

ARTICLE 8—To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the overlay reserve a sum of money to be used for a reserve fund, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* that the sum of \$8,000.00, be transferred from the Overlay Reserve to be used for a Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 9—To see what disposition the Town will make of the money refunded by the County on account of dog licenses, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* that the money refunded by the County on account of dog licenses, be added to the Library Department for its use.

ARTICLE 10—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation or available funds in the treasury the sum of \$10,000.00, to be added to the Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of Section 5B, Chapter 40, General Laws, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* that the Town transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of \$9,000.00, to be added to the Stabilization Fund, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5B, Chapter 40, General Laws.



ARTICLE 11—To see if the Town will vote to transfer money of George Barden Fund to Evening Practical Arts Account, or take any action thereon.

*Voted* to transfer money of George Barden Fund to Evening Practical Arts Account.

ARTICLE 12—To see if the Town will vote to transfer the cash balance from various departments into general cash, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* to transfer the cash balance from various departments into General Cash.

ARTICLE 13—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1954, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

*Voted* to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1954, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

ARTICLE 14—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to appoint their own Water Registrar, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to appoint their own Water Registrar.

ARTICLE 15—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Sewer Commissioners to appoint one of their members to the position of Superintendent of Sewers and to fix his salary, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4A, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, or act in any manner relating thereto.



*Voted* that the Town authorize the Sewer Commissioners to appoint one of their own members to the position of Superintendent of Sewers at an annual salary of \$300.00, funds for same to be obtained from the Sewer Maintenance appropriation, under Article 3.

ARTICLE 16—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to appoint their own clerks of their board and appropriate a sum of money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* that the Town authorize the Assessors to appoint their own clerks of the Board, at a total annual salary of \$400.00, money for same to be obtained from the Assessors Expenses under Article 3.

ARTICLE 17—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tree Warden to work for the Tree Department and be paid on an hourly basis, the Town to set the hourly rate of pay, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* that the Town authorize the Tree Warden to work for the Tree Department, and to be paid on an hourly basis at the prevailing wage for Town employees; funds for same to be obtained from the Tree Department appropriation under Article 3.

ARTICLE 18—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to appoint one of their members to the position of Superintendent of Water Works and to fix his salary in accordance with the provisions of Section 4A, Chapter 41, of the General Laws, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* that the Water Commissioners be authorized to appoint one of their members to be Superintendent of the Water Works at an hourly wage of \$1.50, funds to be obtained from the Water Department appropriation under Article 3.

ARTICLE 19—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Park Commissioners to appoint one of their members to the position of Superintendent of Parks and who will be paid on an hourly basis; this money to be obtained from the Park's appropriation, or act in any manner relating thereto.



*Voted* that the Town authorize the Park Commissioners to appoint one of their own members Superintendent of Parks who will be paid on an hourly basis at the prevailing wage of Town employees; funds for this purpose to be obtained from the Park Department appropriation under Article 3.

At this time the Finance Committee recommended that Articles 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25, pertaining to Water Extensions be accepted or dismissed in principle after which one vote be taken to finance the Articles that are accepted. There being no objections to this procedure, the recommendation was followed.

ARTICLE 20—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend an 8-inch water main westerly on Main Street to connect to Adams Street, a distance of approximately 250 feet, determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* to extend an 8-inch water main westerly on Main Street to connect to Adams Street, a distance of approximately 250 feet.

ARTICLE 21—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend an 8-inch water main from the intersection of Farm Street and Alma Road southerly on Farm Street a distance of approximately 500 feet; determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* to extend an 8-inch water main from the intersection of Farm Street and Alma Road southerly on Farm Street, a distance of approximately 500 feet, provided partitioner guarantees to pay to the Town 6% interest on the cost of said extension for a period of ten years.

ARTICLE 22—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend a 6-inch water main westerly on Causeway Street, a distance of approximately 450 feet; determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing



or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted to dismiss this Article.*

ARTICLE 23—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the 6-inch water main on Norfolk Road to the establishment of the Winiker Poultry Farm, Inc., a distance of approximately 3000 feet; determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing or by appropriation from available funds in the Treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted to dismiss this Article.*

ARTICLE 24—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend a 6-inch water main from existing 8-inch water main on Main Street across a parcel of land now owned by George Sarris to proposed Cottage Avenue, a distance of approximately 250 feet, westerly on same and a distance of approximately 300 feet, determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted to extend a 6-inch water main from existing 8-inch water main on Main Street across a parcel of land now owned by George Sarris to proposed Cottage Avenue, a distance of approximately 250 feet, provided proper easement is given by owner of said property, George Sarris, and that 6% interest is guaranteed to be paid to the Town for a period of ten years on the cost of said extension.*

ARTICLE 25—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend an 8-inch water main on Main Street to Conway's Corner to connect two dead ends, a distance of approximately 550 feet; determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted to extend an 8-inch water main on Main Street to Conway's Corner to connect two dead ends, a distance of approximately*



550 feet.

*Voted* that the sum of \$4,700.00, be appropriated from this year's tax levy and that \$3,577.00, be transferred from available funds in the Water Extension Account of 1953, to cover the cost of water extensions voted under Articles 20, 21, 24 and 25.

ARTICLE 26—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the sewer from Main Street to Spring Street to the property owned by John H. and Helen Clancy; determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation from available funds in the Treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Motion made by the Finance Committee that the sum of \$1,900.00, be transferred from available funds in the treasury and that the sum of \$6,100.00, be appropriated to extend the sewer from Main Street to Spring Street to the property owned by John H. and Helen Clancy.

Amendment offered that we use \$3,468.66, which is available in the Sewer Fund at the present time and raise the balance by taxation.

After discussion it was *Voted* to dismiss the amended motion.

*Voted* that the sum of \$1,900.00, be transferred from the Sewer Extension account and that the sum of \$6,100.00, be appropriated to extend the sewer from Main Street to Spring Street to the property owned by John H. and Helen Clancy.

ARTICLE 27—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the sewer system on Union Street to Main Street; determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* that this Article be dismissed.

ARTICLE 28—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the sewer system from the residence of Rose Blom on Parnell Street to Union Street; determine whether



the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted to dismiss this Article.*

ARTICLE 29—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,800.00, for the repair of Brastons Bridge to be used in conjunction with an equal sum appropriated by the Town of Medfield and allotments made by the County of Norfolk and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted to appropriate the sum of \$1,800.00, for the repair of Brastons Bridge to be used in conjunction with an equal sum appropriated by the Town of Medfield and allotments made by the County of Norfolk and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

ARTICLE 30—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the sidewalk on the North side of Main Street from Union Street to Dover Road a distance of approximately 985 feet, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted to appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00, to extend the sidewalk on the North side of Main Street from Union Street to Dover Road a distance of approximately 985 feet.*

ARTICLE 31—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,250.00, to build a road from Orchard Street to Southend Pond, a distance of 2147 feet, so that the Townspeople will have access to the pond for swimming, fishing and camping purposes. This road has already been surveyed and laid out by the County Commissioners and the land taken by Eminent Domain for the purpose of a road to the pond, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted to dismiss this Article.*

ARTICLE 32—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to replace the High School Auditorium floor, or act in any manner relating thereto.



*Voted* that the sum of \$5,000.00, be appropriated to replace the High School Auditorium floor.

ARTICLE 33—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with the balance that is left of the Insurance Account to repair and alter present Fire Station, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* to dismiss this Article.

ARTICLE 34—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a Fire and Police Station, determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation of available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

After discussion this Article was *Voted* to be dismissed.

ARTICLE 35—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to install fire alarm wires and boxes on Main Street (La-Croixs Corner to Conways Corner), Union Street to Van Kleeck Corner, Plain Street (Thornes Corner to Village Street), Village Street (corner of Plain Street to Himelfarb Street), Himelfarb Street, Myrtle Street to Pleasant Street, Pleasant Street to LaCroixs Corner, or act in any manner relating thereto.

After discussion it was *Voted* to dismiss this Article.

ARTICLE 36—To see if the Town will provide for the merger of the office of Veterans' Agent with that of the office of Director of Veteran Services, and that said Director will report annually the number of cases handled, disbursements made and other activities. Said report to be printed in the Annual Town Report, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* that the Town provide for the merger of the office of Veterans' Agent with that of the office of Director of Veteran Services, and that said Director will report annually the number of cases handled, disbursements made and other activities; said report to be printed in the Annual Town Report.



ARTICLE 37—To see if the Town will vote to amend Section V of the Protective By-law for the Town of Millis adopted by said Town on February 19, 1951, by striking therefrom the said Section V, which reads as follows:

"Section V

#### AREA REGULATIONS

5-1 *Floor Area.* Any building or structure erected, altered, or used for dwelling purposes in any district shall provide no less than 300 square feet of habitable floor area for each family occupying said building or structure, provided, however, a temporary building or structure having less than the required area may be occupied for not more than two years.

5-2 *Lot Frontage.* Any dwelling hereafter erected in any district shall be located on a lot having a frontage of not less than 75 feet on a street or way provided that one dwelling may be erected on a lot having a lesser frontage where said lot existed at the time this By-law is adopted and did not adjoin other land of the same owner available in connection with said lot.

5-3 *Front Yard.* Any building or structure, including roadside stands, gasoline pumps, and accessory buildings hereafter erected shall extend not nearer to the street boundary than 20 feet in all districts. Provided that no building need be set back more than the average of the set-backs of the building on the lots nearest thereto on either side, a vacant lot one hundred feet or more in width or a lot occupied by a building set back more than twenty feet being counted as though occupied by a building set back twenty feet."

and inserting in place thereof the following:

"Section V

#### AREA REGULATIONS

5-1 *Floor Area.* Any building or structure erected, altered or used for dwelling purposes in any district shall provide not less than 720 square feet of habitable floor area for each family occupying said building or structure.

5-2 *Lot Area.* No building lot hereafter laid out for dwelling purposes in the Town of Millis shall be less than 12,000 square feet in area.

5-3 *Lot Frontage.* No building lot hereafter laid out for dwelling purposes in the Town of Millis shall be less than 100 feet in width at the front line of the building or at the line of the street on which said building lot fronts.

5-4 *Front Yard.* Any building or structure, including roadside stands, gasoline pumps and accessory buildings hereafter erected shall extend any nearer than 30 feet to the street line in all districts. The Board of Appeals may make exceptions to this section upon appeal or written requests if the set-backs of



buildings on adjoining lots vary from this requirement.

*5-5 Side Yards.* In residential districts there shall be provided at each side of any building hereafter erected a side yard of not less than 10 feet in width between the side of said building and the side lot line":

or act in any manner relating thereto.

A member of the Planning Board offered a motion that the amendment to the Protective By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

"Section V

### AREA REGULATIONS

*5-1 Floor Area.* Any building or structure erected, altered or used for dwelling purposes in any district shall provide not less than 720 square feet of floor area.

*5-2 Lot Area.* No building lot hereafter laid out for dwelling purposes in the Town of Millis shall be less than 10,000 square feet in area.

*5-3 Lot Frontage.* No building lot hereafter laid out for dwelling purposes in the Town of Millis shall be less than 90 feet in width at the front line of the building or at the line of the street on which said building lot fronts.

*5-4 Front Yard.* Any building or structure, including roadside stands, gasoline pumps and accessory buildings hereafter erected shall extend any nearer than 30 feet to the street line in all districts. The Board of Appeals may make exceptions to this section upon appeal or written requests if the set-backs of buildings on adjoining lots vary from this requirement.

*5-5 Side Yards.* In residential districts there shall be provided at each side of any building hereafter erected a side yard of not less than 10 feet in width between the side of said building and the side lot line".

By rising count "Yes" 157 — "No" 0, it was unanimously *Voted* to accept this amended motion.

By rising count "Yes" 152 — "No" 0, it was unanimously *Voted* to amend the Protective By-Laws as amended.

ARTICLE 38—To see if the Town will vote to accept Maple Avenue as a public street, or act in any manner relating thereto.

The Finance Committee made a motion in favor of accepting this Maple Avenue as a public street.



At this time the floor was given to Mr. Edgar Dupuis, who spoke to some length on the subject of Maple Avenue, its condition and the work that private citizens residing on the street have already performed, its drainage condition, etc.; after which it was

*Voted* that the Town accept Maple Avenue as a public street, subject to the approval of the Planning Board and acceptable to the By-Laws of the Town.

Mr. Dupuis thanked the citizens for this favorable action.

ARTICLE 39—To see if the Town will vote to accept and maintain Woodlawn Drive as a public street, or act in any manner relating thereto.

After considering the matter it was *Voted* to accept and maintain Woodlawn Drive as a public street subject to the approval of the Planning Board and in accordance with the Town By-Laws.

ARTICLE 40—To see if the Town will approve and ratify the action of the 1954 General Court authorizing the Town to use certain park land for school and school play ground purposes, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* to approve and ratify the action of the 1954 General Court authorizing the Town to use certain park land for school and school playground purposes.

ARTICLE 41—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the necessary operating expenses of the School Building Committee, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* to appropriate the sum of \$800.00, for the necessary operating expenses of the School Building Committee.

ARTICLE 42—To see if the Town will vote to accept the Edward M. Johansen Cemetery Trust Fund of April, 1953, to the amount of \$100.00, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* to accept the Edward M. Johansen Cemetery Trust Fund of April, 1953, to the amount of \$100.00.

ARTICLE 43—To see if the Town will vote to accept from



Elizabeth B. Bigelow an additional amount for the Paul Daniels Cemetery Trust Fund of \$350.00, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* to accept from Elizabeth B. Bigelow an additional amount for the Paul Daniels Cemetery Trust Fund of \$350.00.

ARTICLE 44—To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Lot and Grave account for the upkeep of the Cemetery, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* that the sum of \$1,000.00, be transferred from the Lot and Grave Account and use \$500.00, interest from Perpetual-Care Fund.

ARTICLE 45—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

*Voted* that the Town transfer from available funds in the treasury a sum of money equal to anticipated reimbursements for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance.

ARTICLE 46—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

*Voted* that the Town transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury a sum of money equal to anticipated reimbursements for Chapter 81, Highway Maintenance.

ARTICLE 47—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee to act to eliminate the smoke and odor nuisance in the East Millis section of the Town, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee to act to eliminate the smoke and odor nuisance in the East Millis section of the Town.

ARTICLE 48—To see if the Town will authorize the Moderator



to continue the swimming pool committee for another year and appropriate the sum of \$200.00, for their expenses, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* to authorize the Moderator to continue the swimming pool committee for another year and to appropriate the sum of \$200.00, for their expenses.

ARTICLE 49—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,100.00, for the purchase of a tractor and sander, the present tractor allowance to be applied to purchase price, determine whether the money shall be provided by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

*Voted* to appropriate the sum of \$3,100.00, for the purchase of a tractor and sander, the present tractor allowance to be applied to the purchase price of the new equipment.

At this time the Moderator expressed his appreciation to the citizens present for their kind co-operation and attentiveness during the Meeting and extended a vote of thanks and appreciation to the Finance Committee for their very efficient and untiring work in preparing and presenting the facts of the various Articles in the Warrant.

ARTICLE 50—To see if the Town will vote to take the sum of \$40,000.00, from available funds for the purpose of its being used to reduce the direct 1954 tax rate, or act in any manner relating thereto.

By standing count "Yes" 168 — "No" 0,

It is hereby *Voted* in accordance with the Article seeking action on the use of \$40,000.00, that the sum of \$40,000.00, be and hereby is transferred from available funds in the treasury for the purpose of reducing the 1954 tax rate.

*Voted* to adjourn at 10:35 P.M.

LLOYD C. KING,  
Town Clerk.



**TABULATIONS OF 1954 APPROPRIATIONS**

## ARTICLE 3—

**TOWN DEPARTMENTS,  
OFFICERS' SALARIES AND EXPENSES**

|                                    |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Selectmen                          | \$ 300.00   |
| Accountant                         | 1,150.00    |
| Treasurer                          | 825.00      |
| Tax Collector                      | 1,625.00    |
| Assessors                          | 1,570.00    |
| Town Clerk                         | 525.00      |
| Election Officers                  | 900.00      |
| Board of Registrars                | 345.00      |
| Town Office—including Town Reports | 6,000.00    |
| Legal Advice and Expense           | 350.00      |
| Planning Board                     | 250.00      |
|                                    | <hr/>       |
|                                    | \$13,840.00 |

**PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY**

|                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Police Department              | 8,690.00    |
| Dog Officer                    | 100.00      |
| Fire Department                | 7,065.00    |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 100.00      |
| Gypsy Moth Department          | 1,400.00    |
| Tree Department                | 1,700.00    |
| Wire Inspector                 | 100.00      |
| Dutch Elm Disease              | 2,000.00    |
|                                | <hr/>       |
|                                | \$21,155.00 |

**HEALTH AND SANITATION**

|                      |          |
|----------------------|----------|
| Dental Health Clinic | 1,000.00 |
|----------------------|----------|



## ANNUAL REPORT

|                                |          |             |
|--------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Board of Health                |          | 1,500.00    |
| Garbage Disposal               |          | 1,800.00    |
| Inspector of Slaughtering      |          | 480.00      |
| Animal Inspector               |          | 150.00      |
| Milk Inspector                 |          | 50.00       |
| Sewer Department—Maintenance   | 2,500.00 |             |
| Salaries—retroactive to 1/1/54 | 200.00   |             |
|                                | <hr/>    | 2,700.00    |
|                                |          | <hr/>       |
|                                |          | \$ 7,680.00 |

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

|                                                     |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Highways and Bridges                                | 11,550.00   |
| Chapter 81                                          | 6,300.00    |
| Snow Removal (See <i>Vote</i> at end of tabulation) | 5,500.00    |
| Street Lighting                                     | 5,000.00    |
| Chapter 90 and Special Repairs                      | 1,000.00    |
|                                                     | <hr/>       |
|                                                     | \$29,350.00 |

## CHARITIES

|                                                        |             |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Welfare Board                                          | 250.00      |
| General Relief                                         | 6,400.00    |
| Total Disability—In addition to Federal Grant          | 3,300.00    |
| Aid to Dependent Children—In addition to Federal Grant | 6,000.00    |
| Old Age Assistance—In addition to Federal Grant        | 40,000.00   |
| Department Administration—In addition to Federal Grant | 2,200.00    |
|                                                        | <hr/>       |
|                                                        | \$58,150.00 |

## VETERANS

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Benefits and Administration | 3,250.00 |
|-----------------------------|----------|



## EDUCATION

|                              |           |              |
|------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| School—Committee Salaries    | 250.00    |              |
| Teachers' Salaries           | 88,817.00 |              |
| Expenses                     | 35,592.00 |              |
| Vocational Tuition           | 1,200.00  |              |
| Summer Recreational Program  | 600.00    |              |
| Adult Evening Practical Arts | 350.00    |              |
|                              |           | <hr/>        |
|                              |           | \$126,809.00 |
| PUBLIC LIBRARY               |           | 1,000.00     |
| CEMETERIES                   |           | 2,500.00     |

## WATER DEPARTMENT

|                                         |           |             |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Commissioners—Salaries                  | 200.00    |             |
| Registrar—Salary, retroactive to 1/1/54 | 400.00    |             |
| Registrar's expenses                    | 150.00    |             |
| Expenses                                | 14,000.00 |             |
|                                         |           | <hr/>       |
|                                         |           | \$14,750.00 |

## UNCLASSIFIED

|                         |           |              |
|-------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Memorial Day            | 500.00    |              |
| Legion Headquarters     | 600.00    |              |
| Town Clock              | 100.00    |              |
| Insurance—Various Kinds | 6,000.00  |              |
| Pensions                | 2,220.94  |              |
| Park Department         | 2,200.00  |              |
| Memorial Park           | 150.00    |              |
| Service Board           | 150.00    |              |
| Civil Defense           | 200.00    |              |
| Debt and Interest       | 17,366.00 |              |
|                         |           | <hr/>        |
|                         |           | \$29,486.94  |
|                         |           | <hr/>        |
| Grand Total Article 3   |           | \$307,970.94 |



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|-----------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Article 4—Visiting Nurse                | 2,500.00           |
| Article 5—Norfolk County Hospital       | 3,430.25           |
| Articles 20-21-24-25—Water Extensions   | 4,700.00           |
| Article 26—Sewer Extension              | 6,100.00           |
| Article 29—Brastons Bridge              | 1,800.00           |
| Article 30—Sidewalk Extension           | 1,500.00           |
| Article 32—High School Auditorium Floor | 5,000.00           |
| Article 41—School-Building Committee    | 800.00             |
| Article 48—Swimming-Pool Committee      | 200.00             |
| Article 49—Tractor and Sander           | 3,100.00           |
| Appropriations—Grand Total              | <hr/> \$337,101.19 |

## TRANSFERS

|                                                                         |            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Article 7—Road Machinery                                                | \$1,954.70 |
| Article 8—Overlay Reserve to Reserve Fund                               | 8,000.00   |
| Article 10—Transfer from Available Funds to the<br>Stabilization Fund   | 9,000.00   |
| Articles 20-21-24-25—Water Extension<br>Account of 1953 to 1954 Account | 3,577.00   |
| Article 26—Sewer Extension Account                                      | 1,900.00   |
| Article 44—Lot and Grave Account                                        | 1,000.00   |
| Interest from Perpetual-Care Fund                                       | 500.00     |



February 9, 1954

To the Town Clerk or

The Board of Registrars:

We the undersigned voters of Millis, Mass., present that we have reason to believe and do believe that the returns of the Election Officers of the said Millis, Mass., of the vote cast at the election of February 8, 1954, for the office of Planning Board for three years are erroneous in this respect, that Charles W. Batchelder was credited with more and Talbot Dewey, was credited with less votes than was actually cast for them; and we believe a recount of the votes cast in said Town will affect the election of one candidate at such election. We, therefore, ask that the votes cast for said office of Planning Board for three years as aforesaid be recounted.

*Voter's Name**Residence January 1, 1954*

|                     |                                |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Betty L. Temple     | Ridge Street, Millis, Mass.    |
| Margaret Royce      | Larch Road, Millis, Mass.      |
| Mary R. Inches      | Village Street, Millis, Mass.  |
| Ruth N. Purdy       | Village Street, Millis, Mass.  |
| Phyllis D. Wilmaith | Main Street, Millis, Mass.     |
| Ella Mae Pollard    | Union Street, Millis, Mass.    |
| Eleanor C. Adams    | Main Street, Millis, Mass.     |
| Gertrude P. Maine   | Curve Street, Millis, Mass.    |
| Dorothy M. Walker   | Village Street, Millis, Mass.  |
| Anna Mary Vance     | Ridge Street, Millis, Mass.    |
| Eva M. Power        | Prospect Street, Millis, Mass. |
| Arthur B. Blackett  | Forest Road, Millis, Mass.     |
| Robert M. Morse     | Orchard Street, Millis, Mass.  |



Millis, Mass., February 9, 1954.

Personally appeared before me Arthur B. Blackett and took oath that the above statement was true to the best of his knowledge.

*Notary Public*

LLOYD C. KING

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February 13, 1954.

To Lloyd C. King

Town Clerk of Millis

This certifies that we the Board of Registrars of the Town of Millis, have this day made a recount of the ballots cast at the annual Town Election held February 8, 1954, for Planning Board for three years, the result of which is as follows:

|                       |     |
|-----------------------|-----|
| Charles W. Batchelder | 321 |
| Talbot Dewey          | 324 |
| Charles Mandell       | 1   |
| Blanks                | 146 |

*Signed*

*Board of Registrars:*

DANIEL L. MURPHY

WILLIAM J. CHRISTIAN

WOODWORTH J. RICE



## RESULT OF VOTES CAST AT STATE PRIMARY

September 14, 1954

## REPUBLICAN

*Governor*

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| Christian A. Herter | 177 |
|---------------------|-----|

*Lieutenant Governor*

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| Sumner G. Whittier | 182 |
|--------------------|-----|

*Secretary*

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| Michael J. McCarthy | 172 |
|---------------------|-----|

*Treasurer*

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Augustus G. Means | 170 |
|-------------------|-----|

*Auditor*

|                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| William P. Constantino | 161 |
|------------------------|-----|

*Attorney General*

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| George Fingold | 172 |
|----------------|-----|

*Senator in Congress*

|                      |     |
|----------------------|-----|
| Leverett Saltonstall | 186 |
|----------------------|-----|

*Congressman*

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Joseph William Martin, Jr. | 184 |
|----------------------------|-----|

*Councillor*

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| David B. Williams | 165 |
|-------------------|-----|

*Senator*

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Charles W. Olson | 167 |
|------------------|-----|



*Representative in General Court*

|                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| William F. Nourse      | 86  |
| Perley D. Porter       | 3   |
| Joseph A. Roberts, Jr. | 118 |
| Blanks                 | 4   |

*District Attorney*

|                      |    |
|----------------------|----|
| Sturtevant Burr      | 61 |
| George Philip Carney | 17 |
| Myron N. Lane        | 98 |
| Blanks               | 35 |

*Register of Probate and Insolvency*

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| Alfred E. Henderson | 160 |
|---------------------|-----|

*County Commissioner*

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| Everett M. Bowker   | 107 |
| Ralph H. Hutchinson | 31  |
| Charles J. Vaughan  | 27  |
| Blanks              | 46  |

*County Treasurer*

|                       |     |
|-----------------------|-----|
| Raymond C. Warmington | 163 |
|-----------------------|-----|

## DEMOCRATIC

*Governor*

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Robert F. Murphy | 40 |
| Francis E. Kelly | 16 |
| Blanks           | 4  |

*Lieutenant Governor*

|                |    |
|----------------|----|
| James A. Burke | 52 |
|----------------|----|

*Secretary*

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Edward J. Cronin | 50 |
|------------------|----|



## ANNUAL REPORT

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*Treasurer*

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Clement A. Riley | 32 |
| William F. Carr  | 7  |
| John F. Kennedy  | 19 |
| Blanks           | 2  |

*Auditor*

|                   |    |
|-------------------|----|
| Thomas J. Buckley | 52 |
|-------------------|----|

*Attorney General*

|                 |    |
|-----------------|----|
| John F. Collins | 45 |
|-----------------|----|

*Senator in Congress*

|                    |    |
|--------------------|----|
| Foster Furcolo     | 43 |
| John I. Fitzgerald | 5  |
| Joseph L. Murphy   | 11 |
| Blanks             | 1  |

*Congressman*

|                        |    |
|------------------------|----|
| Charles Austin Burrows | 29 |
| Edward F. Doolan       | 23 |
| Blanks                 | 8  |

*Councillor*

|                   |    |
|-------------------|----|
| Joseph P. Duca    | 5  |
| Orlando P. Harris | 10 |
| Endicott Peabody  | 21 |
| Thomas C. Quinn   | 17 |
| Blanks            | 7  |

*Senator*

|                    |    |
|--------------------|----|
| Francis C. McKenna | 48 |
|--------------------|----|

*Representative in General Court*

|                   |    |
|-------------------|----|
| Edward J. Delaney | 49 |
|-------------------|----|



|                      |                                           |    |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------|----|
|                      | <i>District Attorney</i>                  |    |
| Joseph F. X. Doherty |                                           | 45 |
|                      | <i>Register of Probate and Insolvency</i> |    |
| Adam Consoletti      |                                           | 1  |
|                      | <i>County Commissioner</i>                |    |
| Wilfred E. Arcand    |                                           | 41 |
|                      | <i>County Treasurer</i>                   |    |
| Leonard W. Lindahl   |                                           | 1  |

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## RESULTS OF VOTES CAST AT STATE ELECTION

### November 2, 1954

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|                                     |                            |     |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|
|                                     | <i>Governor</i>            |     |
| Christian A. Herter, Republican     |                            | 765 |
| Robert F. Murphy, Democratic        |                            | 404 |
| Lawrence Gilfedder, Socialist Labor |                            | 0   |
| Guy S. Williams, Prohibition        |                            | 0   |
| Blanks                              |                            | 19  |
|                                     | <i>Lieutenant Governor</i> |     |
| Sumner G. Whittier, Republican      |                            | 774 |
| James A. Burke, Democratic          |                            | 390 |
| Donald E. Babcock, Prohibition      |                            | 2   |
| Francis A. Votano, Socialist Labor  |                            | 3   |
| Blanks                              |                            | 19  |
|                                     | <i>Secretary</i>           |     |
| Edward J. Cronin, Democratic        |                            | 486 |



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|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| Michael J. McCarthy, Republican    | 657 |
| Fred M. Ingersoll, Socialist Labor | 2   |
| William D. Ross, Prohibition       | 7   |
| Blanks                             | 36  |

*Treasurer*

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| John F. Kennedy, Democratic        | 482 |
| Augustus G. Means, Republican      | 671 |
| Henning A. Blomen, Socialist Labor | 1   |
| Isaac Goddard, Prohibition         | 3   |
| Blanks                             | 31  |

*Auditor*

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| Thomas J. Buckley, Democratic      | 532 |
| William P. Constantino, Republican | 611 |
| John B. Lauder, Prohibition        | 4   |
| Anthony Martin, Socialist Labor    | 2   |
| Blanks                             | 39  |

*Attorney General*

|                                  |     |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| George Fingold, Republican       | 739 |
| John F. Collins, Democratic      | 409 |
| Howard B. Rand, Prohibition      | 4   |
| Malcolm T. Rowe, Socialist Labor | 1   |
| Blanks                           | 35  |

*Senator in Congress*

|                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Leverett Saltonstall, Republican  | 762 |
| Foster Furcolo, Democratic        | 404 |
| Thelma Ingersoll, Socialist Labor | 1   |
| Harold J. Ireland, Prohibition    | 2   |
| Blanks                            | 19  |

*Congressman*

|                                        |     |
|----------------------------------------|-----|
| Joseph William Martin, Jr., Republican | 812 |
| Edward F. Doolan, Democratic           | 353 |
| Blanks                                 | 23  |



*Councillor*

|                               |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Endicott Peabody, Democratic  | 435 |
| David B. Williams, Republican | 683 |
| Emma J. Nally, Prohibition    | 5   |
| Blanks                        | 65  |

*Senator*

|                                |     |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| Charles W. Olson, Republican   | 688 |
| Francis C. McKenna, Democratic | 456 |
| Blanks                         | 44  |

*Representative in General Court*

|                               |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| William F. Nourse, Republican | 736 |
| Edward J. Delaney, Democratic | 428 |
| Blanks                        | 24  |

*District Attorney*

|                                  |     |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| Joseph F. X. Doherty, Democratic | 453 |
| Myron N. Lane, Republican        | 675 |
| Blanks                           | 60  |

*Register of Probate and Insolvency*

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Anna E. Hirsch, Republican | 855 |
| Blanks                     | 333 |

*County Commissioner*

|                               |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Wilfred E. Arcand, Democratic | 457 |
| Everett M. Bowker, Republican | 673 |
| Blanks                        | 58  |

*County Treasurer*

|                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Raymond C. Warmington, Republican | 826 |
| Blanks                            | 362 |

## QUESTION NO. 1

*Alcoholic Beverages*

## Section A—



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|        |     |
|--------|-----|
| Yes    | 775 |
| No     | 290 |
| Blanks | 123 |

## Section B—

|        |     |
|--------|-----|
| Yes    | 727 |
| No     | 266 |
| Blanks | 195 |

## Section C—

|        |     |
|--------|-----|
| Yes    | 848 |
| No     | 194 |
| Blanks | 146 |

## QUESTION No. 2

Section A—*Horse Racing*

|        |     |
|--------|-----|
| Yes    | 727 |
| No     | 276 |
| Blanks | 185 |

Section B—*Dog Racing*

|        |     |
|--------|-----|
| Yes    | 679 |
| No     | 297 |
| Blanks | 212 |



## BIRTHS RECORDED IN MILLIS DURING THE YEAR 1954

| <i>Date</i> | <i>Name</i>                 | <i>Parents</i>               |
|-------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>1953</b> |                             |                              |
| Oct. 9      | Eileen Marie Williamson     | Lowell D. and Lorraine H.    |
| Oct. 16     | Wendy Laura King            | Stuart M. and Emilie A.      |
| Nov. 7      | Marjorie Ann Stutman        | Robert E. and Janet L.       |
| Nov. 19     | David Bruce Lester          | Donald D. and Eleanor Mae    |
| Nov. 19     | Susan Elizabeth Proe        | Thomas W. and Elizabeth F.   |
| Dec. 3      | Robert Edward Marin         | Victor H. and Maxine H.      |
| Dec. 5      | Sandra Jean Krohn           | Otto G. and Virginia S.      |
| Dec. 5      | Susan Jane Krohn            | Otto G. and Virginia S.      |
| Dec. 12     | Marilyn Beth Nolan          | John H. and Marilyn S.       |
| Dec. 14     | Deborah Jean Morrissey      | Frank and Marion M.          |
| Dec. 31     | Dana Frederick Lenz         | Emil C. and Matilda D.       |
| <b>1954</b> |                             |                              |
| Jan. 1      | Janette Helen Reynolds      | Walter F. and Helen F.       |
| Jan. 4      | Paul McGann                 | Alfred M. and Helen M.       |
| Jan. 13     | Kathleen Duprey             | Robert H. and Helen M.       |
| Feb. 3      | Patricia Ann Harris         | Robert B. and Barbara H.     |
| Feb. 12     | Maria Louise LaRocca        | Frank and Crucy O.           |
| Feb. 16     | James Francis Tabareni, Jr. | James F. and Janet B.        |
| Feb. 20     | Paul Erville Harcovitz      | John and Frances A.          |
| Feb. 20     | Joseph Francis Mann, Jr.    | Joseph F. and Valerie M.     |
| Feb. 22     | Doreen Louise Steeves       | Douglas E. and Florence M.   |
| Feb. 25     | Jeanne Marie Silva          | John A. and Theresa M.       |
| Mar. 16     | Nancy Jane Atherton         | Gilbert E. and Jane V.       |
| Mar. 19     | ..... Fontaine              | Raymond D. and Hazel         |
| Apr. 5      | Cynthia Eleanor Holm        | Birger G. and Eleanor C.     |
| Apr. 6      | Amy Hamilton Lovell         | Robert C. and Mary S.        |
| Apr. 11     | Deborah Frances Roak        | John F. and Dorothy L.       |
| Apr. 15     | Peter John Olson            | Norman and Elsie K.          |
| Apr. 18     | Diannia Lee Grimes          | Damon G. and Nellie D.       |
| Apr. 23     | Joyce Katherine Kilmer      | Howard and Marie H.          |
| Apr. 29     | ..... St. Peter             | Burton W. and Mary Goldsmith |
| May 2       | Jan Myles Buckler           | A. Bernard and Rosaline W.   |
| May 18      | Lawrence Frederick Harris   | James A. and Gladys P.       |



|          |                            |                             |
|----------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| May 20   | Paul Willard Temple        | Herbert M. and Betty M.     |
| June 4   | Jade Alice Harvey          | Dale H. and Alice S.        |
| June 11  | Kimberley Thomas           | Jay T. and Alfreda H.       |
| June 15  | Patricia Knight            | Richard H. and Lucille M.   |
| June 16  | Gary William Blair         | William P. and Neva M.      |
| June 21  | Kathleen Frances Herren    | Charles J. and Evelyn R.    |
| June 22  | Arthur Henry Purkis        | John W. and Naomi M.        |
| June 26  | Jeffrey Edward Dmytryck    | Edward and Mary A.          |
| June 26  | Mary Jane Dmytryck         | Edward and Mary A.          |
| June 26  | John Terrence Downing, Jr. | John T. and Mary M.         |
| June 30  | Kenneth Howard McCarter    | Douglas H. and Marjorie H.  |
| July 1   | Martha Anne Murphy         | John E. and Barbara A.      |
| July 8   | Paul Joseph Germano        | Charles F. and Mary L.      |
| July 16  | Patricia Louise Stevens    | Willis A. and Louise M.     |
| July 20  | Corey Steven Finkelstein   | Irving and Gladys H.        |
| July 31  | Jeffrey Sawyer March       | Donald S. and Mary H.       |
| Aug. 6   | Ellen Marie Cassidy        | Joseph and May C.           |
| Aug. 8   | Nancy Ellen Minor          | Lewis R. and Ruth W.        |
| Aug. 11  | Sean Kevin O'Leary         | Curtis F. and Barbara H.    |
| Aug. 12  | John Joseph Fettig         | Frederick and Joanne G.     |
| Aug. 17  | Dana William Young         | Richard A. and Elaine A.    |
| Aug. 20  | Donna Jean Frink           | Donald W. and Vivian G.     |
| Aug. 20  | Diane Gail Frink           | Donald W. and Vivian G.     |
| Aug. 25  | Richard Allan Monaghan     | James H. and Mary D.        |
| Aug. 26  | Marjorie Ann Beamish       | William R. and Philomena M. |
| Sept. 8  | Claire Marian Sansoucy     | Rene A. and Doris R.        |
| Sept. 13 | Flinton Roster Bachelder   | Emery K. and Marilyn L.     |
| Sept. 16 | David Edward Allen         | Henry J. and Dorothy M.     |
| Sept. 19 | Roberta Johanna Kostick    | John A. and Isabel D.       |
| Sept. 28 | Robert Ernest Clark        | Gail F. and Marjorie V.     |
| Oct. 1   | Candy Marie Foster         | Oscar J. and Louise         |
| Oct. 7   | Anne Melissa Sink          | Theo W. S. and Phyllis W.   |
| Oct. 12  | Maureen Ann Clancy         | Richard F. and Margaret J.  |
| Oct. 14  | James Christian Burnett    | Clifford P. and Margaret L. |
| Oct. 25  | Allan Edward Blackwell     | Allan A. and Annette T.     |
| Oct. 29  | David Bruce Hobson         | Bruce C. and Joan M.        |
| Nov. 1   | David Douglas Wilmarth     | David L. and Phyllis L.     |
| Nov. 9   | Sharon Phyllis Main        | Julian H. and Phyllis H.    |
| Nov. 16  | Edward Peter Kerwin, Jr.   | Edward P. and Ida C.        |



## MARRIAGES RECORDED IN MILLIS DURING THE YEAR 1954

| <i>Date</i> | <i>Name</i>                                      | <i>Residence</i>      | <i>By Whom</i>                  | <i>Where</i> |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
| 1954        |                                                  |                       |                                 |              |
| Jan. 1      | Thomas Boniface Pietrantonio<br>Pauline B. Morse | Millis<br>Franklin    | Rev. Jordan D. Cole             | Franklin     |
| Jan. 15     | Phillip Edmund White<br>Joyce Frances Iacovello  | Millis<br>Framingham  | Rev. Silvis Sartori             | Framingham   |
| Jan. 30     | Robert E. McDermott<br>Helen M. Newell           | Allston<br>Millis     | Rev. John L. Parsons            | Millis       |
| Jan. 31     | Udell Wolpert<br>Libby Finkelstein               | Millis<br>Medway      | Abraham Jacobsen<br>Rabbi       | Roxbury      |
| Feb. 6      | John Francis Sullivan, Jr.<br>Joan Carol Proulx  | Millis<br>Springfield | Rev. R. T. Hoey                 | Springfield  |
| Feb. 7      | Aron Burstyn<br>Rhoda Lowenstein                 | Millis<br>Malden      | Joseph H. Margolies<br>Rabbi    | Brookline    |
| Apr. 10     | Harold V. Voyer<br>Barbara R. Chase              | Millis<br>So. Hanson  | Rev. John William<br>Estes, Jr. | Duxbury      |
| Apr. 11     | Robert Horowitz<br>Barbara Doliner               | Everett<br>Millis     | David H. Weisenberg<br>Rabbi    | Brookline    |
| Apr. 18     | Maurice E. Bearse<br>Elsie E. Danti              | Millis<br>Plymouth    | Rev. David G. Bonfiglio         | Plymouth     |



|         |                                              |                    |                                                |          |
|---------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------|
| May 1   | Francis W. Clewes<br>Claire A. Lipsett       | Medfield<br>Millis | Rev. John L. Parsons                           | Millis   |
| May 14  | Howard Maynard Gould<br>Claire Smith Millis  | Millis<br>Millis   | Rev. Robert I. Howland                         | Millis   |
| May 22  | Richard J. Kedski<br>Mildren E. Christian    | Millis<br>Millis   | Rev. John L. Parsons                           | Millis   |
| June 10 | Robert E. Ekstrom<br>Caroline Joan Carlson   | Franklin<br>Millis | Rev. Robert I. Howland                         | Millis   |
| June 20 | Tony Oppedisano<br>Elaine Ricci Schneider    | Millis<br>Millis   | Winthrop M. Southworth<br>Justice of the Peace | Needham  |
| June 23 | Reuben Block<br>Gertrude Rosen               | Brooklyn<br>Millis | Israel J. Kazis<br>Rabbi                       | Roxbury  |
| June 25 | Don R. Gilpatrick<br>Carol A. Sutherland     | Millis<br>Millis   | Rev. Robert I. Howland                         | Millis   |
| June 26 | James L. Murdock<br>Elsie Ruth Richardson    | Norfolk<br>Millis  | Rev. Carl Franklin Hall                        | Millis   |
| July 8  | Charles B. Thomas<br>Arlene E. LaBounty      | Millis<br>Pembroke | Rev. William C. Kilpatrick                     | Millis   |
| July 17 | Robert J. Ganusko<br>Janice R. Clark         | Millis<br>Medfield | Rev. Albert N. Kaucher                         | Medfield |
| July 28 | Howard A. Moulton, Jr.<br>Pauline E. Monahan | Franklin<br>Millis | Charles H. Mackie<br>Justice of the Peace      | Allston  |



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|----------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|------------|
| Aug. 1   | Walter H. Savage<br>Edith Shaughnessy           | Millis<br>Framingham    | Rev. Robert W. Kirchmeyer  | Framingham |
| Aug. 7   | Edward W. Richardson<br>Rebecca J. Washer       | Millis<br>Millis        | Rev. Robert I. Howland     | Millis     |
| Aug. 14  | William Ivan Tate<br>Nancy Marie Brodeur        | Millis<br>Millis        | Rev. Robert C. Bryson      | Millis     |
| Sept. 4  | Kazimierz Felix Smiarowski<br>Edith Eva Kulish  | Franklin<br>Medway      | Rev. Robert I. Howland     | Millis     |
| Sept. 18 | Donald Hibbert Pettis<br>Joanna Shannon         | Millis<br>Millis        | Rev. Robert C. Bryson      | Millis     |
| Sept. 19 | Leonard Kravitsky<br>Carol H. Israel            | Malden<br>Hull          | Charles Weinberg<br>Rabbi  | Millis     |
| Oct. 9   | Roderick Maurice Washer<br>Charlotte Ann Madden | Wellesley<br>Framingham | Rev. Robert I. Howland     | Millis     |
| Oct. 16  | Edward J. Roak<br>Rae Belle Carlson             | Millis<br>Millis        | Rev. John L. Parsons       | Millis     |
| Oct. 16  | Edward V. Smith<br>Marion R. Shukis             | Millis<br>Medway        | Rev. Francis L. McGrath    | Medway     |
| Oct. 21  | Herbert Beizer<br>Elizabeth Brownell            | Millis<br>Boston        | Murray I. Rothman<br>Rabbi | Newton     |
| Nov. 6   | John J. Lydon<br>Agnes E. Downing               | Millis<br>Millis        | Rev. John L. Parsons       | Millis     |



|         |                                                     |                      |                        |            |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------|
| Nov. 26 | Robert Dean Eastman<br>Janet M. Faris               | Sherborn<br>Millis   | Rev. Robert I. Howland | Millis     |
| Nov. 27 | John Evanoff<br>Norma Gwendolyn Daine               | Milford<br>Millis    | Rev. Robert I. Howland | Millis     |
| Nov. 27 | Norman James Quinn<br>Judith Anne Barrier           | Medfield<br>Millis   | Rev. Francis O'Neill   | Medfield   |
| Dec. 10 | George Alton Fisher, Jr.<br>Marlene Gwendolyn Burns | Millis<br>Framingham | Rev. Edward W. Hale    | Framingham |
| Dec. 18 | Wellington Wells, III<br>Anne Lodge Dorr            | Millis<br>Boston     | Rev. Robert G. Matters | Boston     |
| Dec. 26 | Francis P. Curran<br>Joanne F. Kilmain              | Roslindale<br>Millis | Rev. Robert C. Bryson  | Millis     |



## DEATHS RECORDED IN MILLIS DURING THE YEAR 1954

| <i>Date</i> | <i>Name</i>                      | <i>Age</i> | <i>Place of Burial</i> |
|-------------|----------------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| Jan. 1      | Agnes Cave                       | 67 — —     | Walpole                |
| Jan. 6      | Nancy Tunis Whittier             | 56 2 2     | Milton                 |
| Jan. 8      | Anna M. Payson                   | 81 3 9     | Millis                 |
| Feb. 5      | Lewis Chamberlain                | 87 — —     | Millis                 |
| Feb. 7      | Daniel Gately                    | 75 3 19    | Millis                 |
| Feb. 15     | George E. Julian                 | 57 7 13    | Boston                 |
| Feb. 19     | Ernest N. Clark                  | 85 4 7     | Millis                 |
| Mar. 20     | ..... Fontaine                   | — — 1      | Millis                 |
| Apr. 6      | ..... Holm                       | — — 1      | Medfield               |
| Apr. 9      | Stella Louise Rankin Holst       | 65 11 2    | Millis                 |
| Apr. 11     | Frank Ganusko                    | 63 — —     | Roslindale             |
| Apr. 12     | Patrick H. E. McLaughlin         | 65 9 11    | Millis                 |
| Apr. 16     | Grace King Blake                 | 65 9 2     | Ashland, N. H.         |
| Apr. 16     | Agnes Itutti                     | 74 — —     | Cambridge              |
| Apr. 30     | Otto L. Lindahl                  | 69 2 25    | Millis                 |
| May 10      | Nora Sullivan                    | 81 2 5     | Medway                 |
| May 22      | Martha E. Paloski                | 90 4 1     | Boston                 |
| June 4      | Mattie Burt                      | 64 5 4     | West Medway            |
| June 25     | Adelaide Victoria Owens Brackett | 74 5 6     | Norfolk                |
| July 8      | Onofrio Picone                   | 87 8 12    | West Roxbury           |
| July 13     | Alexander Forbes Soutar          | 66 7 23    | Millis                 |
| July 21     | Florence Sawyer                  | 70 0 23    | Millis                 |
| July 23     | Mary Karpovitich                 | 64 — —     | Norwood                |
| Aug. 2      | Herbert Brainard Gladding        | 79 11 27   | Millis                 |
| Aug. 12     | Hannah J. Rogers                 | 82 — —     | Wellesley              |
| Aug. 21     | Margaret E. Conway               | 80 — —     | Boston                 |
| Sept. 4     | Elizabeth F. Dunham              | 69 8 21    | Cochituate             |
| Sept. 11    | Kirke Martin                     | — — 2      | Boston                 |
| Sept. 16    | Mary Adelia Enegren              | 85 0 10    | Millis                 |
| Sept. 24    | Bertha Badger                    | 86 10 21   | Millis                 |
| Sept. 29    | Rose Richter                     | 64 — —     | Woburn                 |
| Oct. 9      | Cora J. Pond                     | 74 11 22   | Millis                 |
| Oct. 27     | Sadie Atwood                     | 60 0 27    | Boston                 |
| Nov. 9      | Lee Wallace Thompson             | 58 — —     | Skowhegan, Me.         |
| Nov. 12     | Elvira Katherine Cribby          | 58 2 8     | Millis                 |
| Nov. 16     | Hugo Hinkley                     | 81 7 10    | Holliston              |
| Nov. 28     | Roger Preston                    | 54 5 6     | Newton                 |
| Dec. 19     | Robert Raymond Kiley             | 37 2 5     | Millis                 |
| Dec. 27     | John Mathew Gately               | 40 3 20    | Millis                 |



**BURIALS RECORDED IN MILLIS  
DURING THE YEAR 1954**

| <i>Date</i> | <i>Name</i>               | <i>Age</i> | <i>Place of Death</i> |
|-------------|---------------------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Feb. 27     | Gertrude E. Smith         | 64 11 0    | Norfolk               |
| Mar. 16     | Oliver Twist              | 63 — —     | Rural, Florida        |
| Apr. 19     | Herbert F. Hood           | 71 2 16    | Norwood               |
| May 21      | Baby Girl Currier         | — — —      | Natick                |
| June 1      | Cornelius Joseph Coughlin | 67 — —     | Needham               |
| Sept. 23    | Mary A. Gallaway          | 98 5 23    | Lowell                |
| Oct. 11     | Mary Snow Colburn         | 76 2 15    | Medway                |



## REPORT OF BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

Millis, Mass., December 31, 1954

Citizens of the Town of Millis:

The Board of Fire Engineers submit the following report for the year 1954.

The department was called to extinguish 31 grass and woods fires; 12 emergency calls; 2 hurricanes; 5 buildings; 4 motor vehicles and 1 false alarm.

During the year the Fire Underwriters tested the pumping engines and found them to be in good condition.

A new set of tires have been installed on the 1938 Ford at Millis and also a new set on the 1939 Ford at the Rockville Station.

The Niagara Engine Company has purchased an aluminum boat and trailer for emergency work with the acceptance of an article in the Town Warrant.

Thanks to the Police, Highway, Water Departments and telephone operators for their assistance to us during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. WARD,

ARTHUR WATSON,

MOODY J. RICHARDSON,

*Board of Fire Engineers.*



## REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

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December 31, 1954

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Millis:

I herewith submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year 1954.

All stores, fruit and vegetable stands, gasoline stations and farms were visited for inspection of scales and gas pumps.

| <i>Scales</i>    | <i>Sealed</i> | <i>Adjusted</i> |
|------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Under 100 pounds | 14            | 2               |
| Over 100 pounds  | 9             |                 |
| Liquid Measures  | 10            |                 |
| Gasoline Pumps   | 11            |                 |
| Grease Pumps     | 6             |                 |
| Weights          | 48            |                 |
|                  | —             | —               |
| Totals           | 98            | 2               |

Sealing fees collected and given to Town Treasurer amounted to \$38.80.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. WARD,

*Sealer.*



## PLANNING BOARD REPORT FOR 1954

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Millis:

The Planning Board held regular monthly meetings discussing future plans for Millis and approving various locations for new home construction.

At this time we have fifty-two (52) new homes under construction or finished and over 100 lots in the process of development.

The Board, after careful consideration, suggests that the town amend the Protective Bylaw by adding to it Section 7—a new section which reads as follows:

“No building or structure shall be erected or externally altered or changed in use within the Town of Millis without a permit being obtained from the Board of Selectmen.”

The requiring of a permit in towns that do not have a formal building code has been authorized during the last year by Section 12 of Chapter 40A—The State Zoning Enabling Act.

This will aid the Board in locating new construction, prevent violations and insure the protection of all land owners who are not familiar with the present Town Bylaws.

The Board also suggests the town adopt a Protective Bylaw by adding to Section 5 a new paragraph 5-6 as follows:

“No lands subject to seasonal or periodic flooding by freshet or by surface water during heavy rain in such a manner as to endanger the health or safety of the occupants shall be used for residential purposes.”

This also is a recent authorization under the State Law. Its enforcement will protect the tax payers of Millis from the necessity



of taking care of improperly drained housing developments, and it will insure that sewage problems will not arise that would endanger the health of the Town.

The Planning Board had an appropriation of \$250.00 of which only \$44.85 has been used.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES V. S. PURDY, *Chairman*  
TALBOT DEWEY, *Secretary*  
JAMES F. CLARK  
ALEXANDER H. HARCOVITZ  
JAMES R. McDONOUGH

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## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

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January 3, 1955

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Millis:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1954.

During the year the following number of animals were slaughtered:

|             |     |
|-------------|-----|
| Beef cattle | 81  |
| Calves      | 263 |
| Sheep       | 4   |
| Goat        | 1   |

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. McCARTHY,

*Inspector of Slaughtering*



## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

January 3, 1955

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
the Citizens of Millis:

I hereby submit the following report of the inspection of animals for the year ending December 31, 1954.

The annual barn and animal inspection has been completed.

There were five hundred and forty-nine head of cattle brought in from out of state. These were checked and released.

There were thirteen dog bites during the year and none of these dogs showed any symptoms of rabies.

All other work was carried out as ordered by the Director of Livestock Disease Control.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. McCARTHY,

*Inspector of Animals*



## REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Millis:

The Elm trees were sprayed in April for control of the Elm bark beetle, the carrier of the Dutch Elm disease.

In June the regular general spray for control of the Gypsy Moth, Elm leaf beetle, and other leaf eating insects was accomplished.

A scouting of unhealthy Elms disclosed fifty-four afflicted with the Dutch Elm disease. These have all been removed and burned.

I am sorry to state that Norfolk County has now by far the largest infestation of the Dutch Elm disease of all other counties in the Commonwealth.

The State in conjunction with the town has scheduled a blanket aerial spray early in 1955. Although this spray is primarily for Gypsy Moth control, it will also help control of the Elm bark beetle, leaf eaters and mosquitoes.

Again may I stress the importance of promptly burning all Elm wood and trimmings lying on the ground.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the different departments and individuals who in any way assisted me in this work. Especially the Highway Department on their very efficient co-operation in disposing of the diseased trees.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN E. SKARP,

*Moth Superintendent*



## REPORT OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

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To the Citizens of Millis:

On Wednesday, July 28, 1954 the bids for Contract No. 7 for the ditching and laying of sewer mains extending the Millis Sewer System a distance of 100 feet on Main Street into Spring Street a distance of 450 feet were opened at the Town Office and they were as follows:

|       |                                             |         |
|-------|---------------------------------------------|---------|
| No. 1 | Consigli Construction Co., Milford, Mass.   | \$4,990 |
| No. 2 | D. DiPetro & Son, Bellingham, Mass.         | 7,853   |
| No. 3 | Joseph Capone & Son, Roslindale, Mass.      | 8,183   |
| No. 4 | Barba Construction Co., West Warwick, R. I. | 8,477   |
| No. 5 | Giangrande & Andreasse, Roslindale, Mass.   | 8,784   |
| No. 6 | Fantonio Bitsoli, Natick, Mass.             | 10,330  |

The contract was awarded to the Consigli Construction Company they being the low bidder.

Because of the extreme wetness of this area it was deemed advisable to use transite pipe in thirteen foot lengths instead of short lengths of vetrified tile, this making less joints and less chance for infiltration. The material removed from the ditch was not considered suitable for reuse, so a sand base and bank gravel refill was used.

The sedimentation tanks had an extensive scraping and cleaning inside and a priming coat and a sealing coat of Koppers preservative was applied, also the outside of the tanks were given a primer coat and a sealer coat.

A new Gardem tractor was purchased for use in plowing and harrowing the Sewer beds, as the old one was no longer reliable.



We experienced much anxiety during hurricanes Carol and Edna because of power failure in controlling the ejector station, but luckily no serious damage or blockage occurred. Steps should be taken to have an auxiliary pumping unit installed for future emergency use.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Merrill Cushman in giving us his experience and time at the ejector station during the two hurricanes in setting up an emergency compressor, also Mr. Howard Sarris on help and instructions on painting the sedimentation tanks.

All property owners wishing to enter the sewer must have a permit from the Sewer Commissioners and the contractor or person doing the job must be approved by the Sewer Commissioners. The job must be inspected by the Sewer Commissioners. All material used must also be approved by the board.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE SARRIS

GEORGE DeANGELIS

JOHN E. SKARP

*Sewer Commissioners*

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## REPORT OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Millis:

We hereby submit our annual report of the Park Department.

This past Spring the baseball diamonds were put in playing condition, playground equipment was repaired and painted, also a



new drinking fountain was installed in the Town Park.

A location was selected for the new tennis courts, which were excavated and backfilled with gravel to bring up to a subgrade.

A new recreation area has been started near the fire place in Rockeville area and will be developed further next year.

We wish to thank the Board of Selectmen and department heads for their excellent cooperation received while clearing up the debris left by hurricanes Carol and Edna.

We feel the purchase of a new power mower is essential if we are going to continue the mowing of the Town Park.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT L. LESLIE

GEORGE DUHAMEL

ROBERT J. COLLINS

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## REPORT OF MILK INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and the Citizens of Millis:

I herewith submit my report as Milk Inspector for the year ending December 31, 1954.

Samples of milk sold in local markets and distributed by dealers were examined and found to conform with minimum standards of the Massachusetts Board of Health.

The following permits were issued and the money for same turned over to the Town Treasurer:



|                 |          |         |
|-----------------|----------|---------|
| 5 Oleomargarine | at \$.50 | \$2.50  |
| 15 Milk Dealers | at \$.50 | 7.50    |
|                 |          | <hr/>   |
|                 |          | \$10.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP J. GAVIN, JR.,

*Milk Inspector*

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### ASSESSORS' REPORT FOR 1954

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|                              |                |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| Valuation of real estate     | \$3,525,100.00 |
| Valuation of personal estate | 285,300.00     |
|                              | <hr/>          |
| Total valuation              | \$3,810,400.00 |

### TOTAL TAXES

|                                   |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| State parks and reservations      | \$716.80     |
| State audit of municipal accounts | 2,500.13     |
| Smoke inspection service          | 50.23        |
| County tax                        | 6,688.80     |
| Tuberculosis hospital assessment  | 3,430.25     |
| Overlay for 1954                  | 12,838.66    |
| Tax title foreclosures            | 1,000.00     |
| Town grant                        | 359,602.64   |
|                                   | <hr/>        |
| Total taxes for 1954              | \$386,827.51 |

### RECEIPTS

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Free cash from treasury | \$40,000.00 |
| Over estimates of 1953  | 464.97      |



|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Estimated receipts for 1954 | 127,226.84   |
| Available funds             | 26,931.70    |
| Taxes from real estate      | 176,255.00   |
| Taxes from personal estate  | 14,265.00    |
| Poll taxes (842)            | 1,684.00     |
|                             | <hr/>        |
| Total receipts for 1954     | \$386,827.51 |
| Rate per thousand           | \$50.00      |

## WARRANTS TO COLLECTOR

|                                           |              |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Real and personal estate                  | \$190,520.00 |
| Poll taxes                                | 1,684.00     |
| December taxes                            | 450.00       |
| U. S. Government in anticipation of taxes | 400.00       |
|                                           | <hr/>        |
| Total warrants                            | \$193,054.00 |

## ABATEMENTS

|                           |          |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Real estate 1954 levy     | \$35.00  |
| Personal estate 1954 levy | 80.00    |
| Personal estate 1952 levy | 15.00    |
| Poll (1) 1952 levy        | 2.00     |
| Polls (2) 1953 levy       | 4.00     |
| Polls (32) 1954 levy      | 64.00    |
|                           | <hr/>    |
| Total abatements          | \$200.00 |

## EXEMPTIONS

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Real estate 1953 levy | \$100.00   |
| Real estate 1954 levy | 6,992.50   |
| Polls (122) 1954 levy | 244.00     |
|                       | <hr/>      |
| Total exemptions      | \$7,336.50 |



## MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Number of Vehicles          | 1,612        |
| Total Valuation             | \$795,280.00 |
| Warrants to Collector:      |              |
| 1953 Levy                   | 1,670.15     |
| 1954 Levy                   | 30,155.79    |
|                             | <hr/>        |
| Total Warrants to Collector | \$31,825.94  |
| Abatelements:               |              |
| 1950 Levy                   | \$2.94       |
| 1951 Levy                   | 351.52       |
| 1952 Levy                   | 341.12       |
| 1953 Levy                   | 1,649.82     |
| 1954 Levy                   | 2,106.81     |
|                             | <hr/>        |
| Total Abatelements          | \$4,452.21   |

GEORGE D. CASSIDY

MILLARD B. LaCROIX

GEORGE Y. ROBINSON

*Assessors of Millis*



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

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To the Citizens of Millis:

The Board of Public Welfare submits herewith its annual report for the fiscal year 1954.

### GENERAL RELIEF

The case load for 1954 consisted of all unemployable cases.

#### Status of Cases

|                                                             |    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Aged and physically incapacitated                           | 10 |
| Spouse receive Old Age Assistance<br>recipient not eligible | 1  |
| Active cases December 31, 1954                              | 11 |

#### Financial Summary

|                            |            |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation              | \$6,400.00 |
| Transfer from Reserve Fund | 1,377.07   |
|                            | <hr/>      |
| Total available            | \$7,777.07 |
| Expenditure                | 7,777.07   |
|                            | <hr/>      |
| Balance unexpended         | \$00.00    |

### AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Assistance under this category was granted to seven cases during the year. Assistance was granted in accordance with the State Standards of Assistance.

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| Cases active January 1, 1954 | 6 |
| Cases added during the year  | 1 |



|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Cases closed during the year   | 1 |
| Cases active December 31, 1954 | 6 |

**Status of Cases**

|                                                 |   |
|-------------------------------------------------|---|
| Widows                                          | 4 |
| Remarriage of parent (children only considered) | 1 |
| Separated (supplementing check from court)      | 2 |

**Financial Summary**

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation                  | \$6,000.00 |
| Reimbursement (Federal Grants) | 3,988.65   |
|                                | <hr/>      |
| Total available                | \$9,988.65 |
| Expenditure                    | 8,709.89   |
|                                | <hr/>      |
| Balance unexpended             | \$1,278.76 |

**Allocation of Costs**

|                                          |            |
|------------------------------------------|------------|
| Payments to recipients for the year 1954 | \$8,709.89 |
| Reimbursements:                          |            |
| Federal Grants                           | \$3,988.65 |
| State Share                              | 2,885.64   |
|                                          | <hr/>      |
| Millis Share                             | \$1,835.60 |

**OLD AGE ASSISTANCE**

Under the Old Age Assistance category sixty-nine cases were aided during the year. Fourteen cases were closed by death and transfer to other towns.

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Cases active January 1, 1954   | 65 |
| Cases added during the year    | 4  |
| Cases closed during the year   | 14 |
| Cases active December 31, 1954 | 55 |



**Financial Summary**

|                               |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Appropriation                 | \$40,000.00 |
| Reimbursements—Federal Grants | 20,908.13   |
|                               | <hr/>       |
| Total available               | \$60,908.13 |
| Expenditure                   | 54,755.85   |
|                               | <hr/>       |
| Balance unexpended            | \$6,152.28  |

**Allocation of Costs**

|                                            |             |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Payments to Recipients and in their behalf |             | \$54,755.85 |
| Reimbursements:                            |             |             |
| Federal Grants                             | \$20,908.13 |             |
| State Share                                | 22,380.99   |             |
| Other Towns                                | 1,377.19    | 44,666.31   |
|                                            | <hr/>       | <hr/>       |
| Millis Share                               |             | \$10,089.54 |
| Amount receivable and outstanding          |             | 196.44      |
| Lien Recoveries—1954                       | \$2,881.60  |             |
| Refund Recovery                            | 2,986.05    |             |
|                                            | <hr/>       |             |
| Total reported to State for allocation     |             | \$5,867.65  |

**DISABILITY ASSISTANCE**

Under the Disability Assistance category three cases were aided during the year 1954.

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Cases active January 1, 1954   | 2 |
| Cases added during the year    | 1 |
| Cases active December 31, 1954 | 3 |

**Financial Summary**

|                             |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation               | \$3,300.00 |
| Reimbursement—Federal Grant | 1,154.50   |
|                             | <hr/>      |
| Total available             | \$4,454.50 |



|                                                   |          |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Expenditures—Paid recipients, and in their behalf | 4,133.75 |
| Balance unexpended                                | \$320.75 |

**Allocation of Costs**

|                                   |            |            |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Expenditure—Payment to recipients |            | \$4,133.75 |
| Reimbursements:                   |            |            |
| Federal Grants                    | \$1,154.50 |            |
| State Share                       | 1,111.15   | 2,265.65   |
| Millis Share                      |            | \$1,868.10 |

**ADMINISTRATION**

|                                  |          |            |
|----------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Appropriation                    |          | \$2,200.00 |
| Board of Public Welfare salaries |          | 250.00     |
| Reimbursements—Federal Grants    |          | 1,948.12   |
| Total available                  |          | \$4,398.12 |
| Expenditures:                    |          |            |
| Board salaries                   | \$250.00 |            |
| Agent's salary                   | 3,600.00 |            |
| Social Service Index             | 10.00    |            |
| Supplies                         | 98.97    |            |
| Postage                          | 44.10    |            |
| Telephone                        | 106.65   |            |
| Express                          | 7.51     |            |
| Repairs                          | 42.00    |            |
| Office equipment                 | 215.00   | 4,374.23   |
| Balance unexpended               |          | \$23.89    |

**Allocation of Costs**

|                 |            |            |
|-----------------|------------|------------|
| Expenditure     |            | \$4,374.23 |
| Reimbursements: |            |            |
| Federal Grants  | \$1,948.12 |            |



|              |       |            |
|--------------|-------|------------|
| State Share  | 37.80 | 1,985.93   |
| Millis Share |       | \$2,388.30 |

Due to the heavy medical and hospital bills it has been necessary to request transfer from the reserve fund to meet our obligations in the general relief cases.

In the other categories of assistance we are able to report balances unexpended.

We wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, Town Accountant, Chief Gately and Acting Chief Cassidy for all courtesies extended our department during the year.

We would also thank the Visiting Nurse Association for their co-operation, through their nurses Miss Myrtle Coldwell and her assistant Mrs. Chloe Hart for the splendid nursing care to our recipients at a minimum of cost.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS J. CLANCY  
MERLE A. BROWNE  
ADAM CONSOLETTI

*Board of Public Welfare*

HARRY E. KING

*Clerk of the Board*



**REPORT OF  
TRUSTEES OF MILLIS PUBLIC LIBRARY**

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**RECEIPTS**

|                  |            |            |
|------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation    | \$1,000.00 |            |
| Dog Tax refunded | 480.43     |            |
| Fines            | 61.37      |            |
|                  | <hr/>      | \$1,541.80 |

**EXPENDITURES**

|                                          |          |            |
|------------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Librarians' Salaries                     | \$486.00 |            |
| Books and Magazines                      | 694.28   |            |
| Postage, Box Rent                        | 7.10     |            |
| Supplies                                 | 58.56    |            |
| Maintenance, Repairs                     | 234.49   |            |
|                                          | <hr/>    | \$1,480.43 |
| Fine money turned over to Town Treasurer |          | \$61.37    |

PRISCILLA D. PAINE

BERTHA L. SHEPARDSON

FLORENCE L. GILBOY

*Trustees*



**REPORT OF  
LIBRARIAN TO THE TRUSTEES FOR 1954**

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|                                                             |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Books and magazines circulated during the year              | 8,576 |
| Adult fiction                                               | 2,607 |
| Adult non-fiction                                           | 783   |
| Juvenile fiction                                            | 3,339 |
| Juvenile non-fiction                                        | 955   |
| Magazines                                                   | 892   |
| Books borrowed from Div. of Library Extension and elsewhere | 26    |
| Largest daily circulation                                   | 107   |
| Average daily circulation                                   | 57    |
| Adult borrowers                                             | 516   |
| Juvenile borrowers                                          | 327   |

Books which were donated during the year, are very much appreciated.

SIBBEL PURDY,

*Librarian*



## REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES

December 31, 1954

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and the Citizens of Millis:

I herewith submit my report as Veterans' Agent and Director of Veterans' Services for the year ending December 31, 1954.

Inquiries by veterans and their dependents and dependents of servicemen seeking advice, assistance and information relative to State and Federal Benefits and other various pertinent problems are as follows:

|                          |    |
|--------------------------|----|
| Hospitalization          | 37 |
| Out-Patient Treatment    | 23 |
| Education                | 9  |
| On-Job Training          | 5  |
| Insurance                | 36 |
| Pension and Compensation | 17 |
| Financial Assistance     | 41 |
| Induction                | 4  |
| Home Loans               | 22 |
| Tax Exemptions           | 52 |
| Korean Bonus             | 37 |
| Photostats               | 13 |
| Notarizing Papers        | 19 |
| Miscellaneous            | 59 |



## FINANCIAL REPORT

*Veterans' Benefits*

|               |  |            |
|---------------|--|------------|
| Appropriation |  | \$2,000.00 |
|---------------|--|------------|

## Expenditures:

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Ordinary Benefits | \$647.00 |
|-------------------|----------|

|      |       |
|------|-------|
| Fuel | 57.00 |
|------|-------|

|         |          |
|---------|----------|
| Medical | 1,129.37 |
|---------|----------|

|       |       |          |
|-------|-------|----------|
| Total | <hr/> | 1,833.37 |
|-------|-------|----------|

|                    |  |                |
|--------------------|--|----------------|
| Unexpended Balance |  | <hr/> \$166.63 |
|--------------------|--|----------------|

## Receipts:

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Received from State | \$219.17 |
|---------------------|----------|

|                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Receivable from State | 375.00 |
|-----------------------|--------|

|       |       |          |
|-------|-------|----------|
| Total | <hr/> | \$594.17 |
|-------|-------|----------|

|              |  |                  |
|--------------|--|------------------|
| Cost to Town |  | <hr/> \$1,239.20 |
|--------------|--|------------------|

|  |  |                  |
|--|--|------------------|
|  |  | <hr/> \$2,000.00 |
|--|--|------------------|

*Administration*

|               |  |            |
|---------------|--|------------|
| Appropriation |  | \$1,250.00 |
|---------------|--|------------|

## Expenditures:

|                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| Salary of Agent | \$852.12 |
|-----------------|----------|

|                  |        |
|------------------|--------|
| General Expenses | 385.88 |
|------------------|--------|

|                  |       |
|------------------|-------|
| Association Dues | 12.00 |
|------------------|-------|

|       |       |            |
|-------|-------|------------|
| Total | <hr/> | \$1,250.00 |
|-------|-------|------------|

I wish to thank the Selectmen, Mr. Walter Hoar, Assistant Service Officer Millis Post No. 208, American Legion, the local doctors, the visiting nurse, and all others who in any way assisted me during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP J. GAVIN, JR.,

*Director of Veterans' Services*



## REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Millis:

As we all know the recent hurricanes took a terrific toll on the trees, many of them which had lived their age. However, I have planted thirty-five new trees this year and by keeping up this program we will soon forget the damage of the hurricanes.

I have the Poison Ivy quite well under control by spraying each year to keep it down.

Let us hope there will be no more ice storms or hurricanes in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR M. SMITH,

*Tree Warden*

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## REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO ELIMINATE THE SMOKE AND ODOR NUISANCE IN EAST MILLIS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Millis:

Gentlemen:

At the last Annual Town Meeting it was voted that the Moderator appoint a committee to investigate the smoke and odor nuisance in East Millis Section of the Town.

Moderator King appointed the following committee:



John Ellington, Chairman  
Dalton Wein  
John Ward

Numerous meetings, visits and conferences were made by this committee. The Ruberoid Co. has spent a sum totaling over \$200,000.00 since this committee was appointed and many improvements are being made.

We believe the odor and smoke has not been fully corrected. However, all concerned are doing all possible and the Engineers of the Ruberoid believe that it will be eliminated.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN ELLINGTON, *Chairman*  
DALTON WEIN  
JOHN WARD

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## REPORT OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

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This has been a busy but gratifying year for your Building Committee. We have conducted at least one regular meeting every week and many additional hours to the observation and supervision of the building construction. It was necessary to study and evaluate various types and manufacture of plumbing, lighting, paints, floor tile, ceiling tile, wall tile, furniture, clocks, stage curtains, kitchen equipment and many other items too numerous to mention.

Your committee was in close liasson with the School Committee, School Lunch Program Personnel, School Nurse and Park Commissioners in an effort to incorporate into the school every possible convenience within budget limitations. It has been a privilege to have had the opportunity to work closely with our most capable



School Superintendent, Mr. George C. Roy, during this period.

On April 27, 1954 after the usual publicity, the bids were open for kitchen equipment and the following were represented:

|                                         |            |
|-----------------------------------------|------------|
| Jones McDuffee & Stratton               | \$6,151.00 |
| Thompson Winchester                     | 5,454.00   |
| Boston Show Case                        | 5,528.00   |
| MacDonald Co.                           | 5,606.00   |
| Salmon Bros.                            | 5,527.30   |
| Peters & Co.                            | 5,950.25   |
| Bay State Equip.                        | 5,230.49   |
| (Did not meet equipment specifications) |            |
| United Restaurant Equip.                | 6,448.50   |
| H. M. Faust                             | 5,917.97   |
| Morris Gordan                           | 5,500.05   |
| Jacob Licht                             | 5,871.50   |
| Eastern Restaurant                      | 5,078.00   |
| (Did not meet equipment specifications) |            |
| Boston China                            | 5,526.92   |

The following concerns received specifications but failed to bid:

H. A. Johnson Co., Boston  
 Charles Doucette, Boston  
 O'Toole, Inc., Boston

After a very careful study and analysis in which every piece of kitchen equipment from dishes to refrigerator was checked for its durability and performance, the committee awarded the contract on June 25, 1954 to Thompson Winchester Co., Boston.

On June 4, 1954 a Cornerstone ceremony was held at which time a personally signed letter from the President of the United States, a pupil signature scroll, and many other items were placed in the cornerstone and sealed.

Specifications were prepared and bids solicited for landscaping around the school building. The bids were opened September 1, 1954 by candlelight instead of August 31, 1954 because of the arrival of Hurricane Carol.



|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| A. Arcaro & Sons     | \$15,875.00 |
| C. E. Simpson & Son  | 10,850.00   |
| Dingley Construction | 10,330.00   |
| Phil. Rando & Co.    | 9,700.00    |

Inasmuch as they all exceeded the budget figures set up for this phase it was decided to reject all bids. The specifications were studied and adjusted and readvertised. The following bids were opened on September 28, 1954:

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Phil Rando & Co.         | \$9,000.00 |
| C. E. Simpson & Co.      | 8,940.00   |
| Dingley Construction Co. | 8,780.00   |

The committee decided to accept the lowest bid and awarded the Landscaping contract on October 1, 1954 to Dingley Construction Co.

A land survey was conducted by E. P. Gavin to determine the exact area necessary for school purposes and a plan was filed November 1, 1954 showing an area to be known as B<sub>2</sub> consisting of 3.39 acres. This plan was then submitted to Town Counsel who prepared an article for the 1955 Warrant. The passage of this article will return most of the land to the Park Department and set aside 3.39 acres for the new school.

The delay in settling the landscaping contract made it necessary to hold up the seeding and grassing until Spring of 1955, at which time Dingley Construction Co. will complete its contract.

The School was opened for use on December 20, 1954 and is complete except for finish landscaping. A dedication ceremony has been planned for January 9, 1955. It is to be noted by all that this school has been built and furnished within the original appropriation and at this time it would appear that the committee will be able to return a few hundred dollars to the Town.

#### Financial Status

Total Appropriation

\$370,000.00

*Expenditure*



|                                                                              |                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Construction.                                                                | <i>to date</i> |
| General contract and special contracts for the building only                 | \$263,829.21   |
| Fees:                                                                        |                |
| Architects—clerk of works                                                    | 23,943.28      |
| Equipment:                                                                   |                |
| Non-expendable                                                               | 17,902.49      |
| Site Development:                                                            |                |
| All work outside building including sewer, water, walks, drives, landscaping | 14,199.10      |
| Insurance:                                                                   |                |
| Equipment stored in building                                                 | 42.94          |
| Advertising:                                                                 |                |
| Bids                                                                         | 118.13         |
|                                                                              | <hr/>          |
|                                                                              | \$320,035.15   |

### Committee Expenses

|                     |          |          |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Total Appropriation |          | \$800.00 |
| Expended:           |          |          |
| Legal fees          | \$201.72 |          |
| Supplies            | 6.14     |          |
| Stenography         | 33.30    |          |
| Photographs         | 18.50    |          |
| Insurance           | 10.00    |          |
| Telephone           | 40.41    |          |
| Land survey         | 182.00   |          |
| Printing            | 135.00   |          |
| Mailing             | 16.41    |          |
|                     | <hr/>    |          |
|                     | \$643.48 |          |
| Balance             | 156.52   |          |
|                     | <hr/>    |          |
|                     |          | \$800.00 |

The Building Committee realizing its own limitations wishes to thank everyone who has even remotely assisted in the planning and



erecting of this new school. We believe that dollar for dollar there is no school in Massachusetts which can be considered superior in appearance, conveniences, and adaptability.

WILLIAM R. PORTER, *Chairman*  
HAROLD V. VOYE  
MRS. GERTRUDE KENNEY  
ROBERT M. MORSE  
FREDERICK J. WELCH  
CHARLES F. MANDELL  
JOSEPH WINIKER

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## REPORT OF BOARD OF APPEALS

Report for the year ending December 31, 1954

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and the Citizens of Millis:

The Board of Appeals, established under the zoning by-law of the Town of Millis, held only one hearing during the past year. In several cases the Board found that no appeal was necessary as the proposed action was in compliance with the law.

Francis K. Farricy petitioned to install a stone crushing machine in his sand bank on Main Street, a petition that was unanimously granted by the Board after viewing the premises and due public hearing and notice. Having determined that the sand pit was legally open, restrictions were placed on the installation to assure that the change would not be detrimental to the neighborhood or the town.



Notification of the Board's actions was sent to the Board of Selectmen, as enforcing officials under the by-law, and, in accordance with Chapter 40, General Laws, Sections 25-30b, the Town Clerk was notified, who places the decisions upon the public record.

The Board deems it advisable that those buying land, erecting or changing a structure, or establishing or changing a business, acquaint themselves with the zoning by-law of the town in order that such action be in conformity with the law and save themselves from possible future financial loss.

The Board also believes that it is its duty to point out to the citizens of Millis the changes made at the annual town meeting, February 15, 1954, and approved by the Attorney General April 29, 1954, that changed floor and lot areas, lot frontages, distance from street lines and side lot lines. Due to these changes the law now provides no provision, in the opinion of counsel, for trailer or cellar homes or for building nearer than 10 feet to side lot lines.

WILLIAM F. WRIGHT, *Chairman*  
ANTHONY P. MELESKI, *Secretary*  
HOWARD A. PAYSON, *Member*  
FRANK McDONOUGH,

*Associate Member*

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## REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMITTEE

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Millis:

The Cemetery Commissioners organized for 1954 with Walter Hoar as Chairman, Floyd Russell as Secretary, and Rudolph F. King as Superintendent.



Each year an increasing number of families are presenting money to the Town in the form of Cemetery Trust Funds so their cemetery lots will have perpetual care. Your Commissioners are pleased with this action.

We are gratified with the continued and growing interest in the appearance of the Cemetery by the Townspeople, and we appreciate your cooperation.

Every possible effort is being made to spend wisely the Town appropriation and interest from invested funds for the upkeep of Prospect Hill Cemetery, including historic Bare Hill.

With your encouragement, we will continue our plans for improvement based on the sentiment that the final resting place of our loved ones and friends should be one of quiet beauty.

Hurricanes Carol and Edna caused considerable damage to the trees, shrubbery and lawns, which added extra work and expense, and we deeply appreciate the cooperation of the State, the Selectmen, the Finance Committee, the Tree Warden, Town Accountant, Superintendent of Streets, the Tree Warden, Town Accountant, emergency.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER HOAR, *Chairman*

FLOYD RUSSELL, *Secretary*

RUDOLPH F. KING, *Supt.*

*Cemetery Commissioners*



**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR 1954****Taxes prior to 1954. Recommitted February 27, 1954.**

Dr.

|                      |          |             |
|----------------------|----------|-------------|
| Polls                | \$40.00  |             |
| Personal Property    | 620.00   |             |
| Real Estate          | 6,415.03 |             |
| Motor Vehicle Excise | 6,862.31 |             |
| Refund               | 100.00   |             |
|                      | <hr/>    | \$14,037.34 |

Cr.

|                         |            |             |
|-------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Abatements              | \$1,044.58 |             |
| Additions to Tax Titles | 115.00     |             |
| Amount paid Treasurer   | 11,961.12  |             |
| Outstanding             | 916.64     |             |
|                         | <hr/>      | \$14,037.34 |

**Tax levy for 1954.**

Dr.

|       |            |            |
|-------|------------|------------|
| POLLS | \$1,694.00 |            |
|       | <hr/>      | \$1,694.00 |

Cr.

|                       |          |            |
|-----------------------|----------|------------|
| Abatements            | \$308.00 |            |
| Amount paid Treasurer | 1,386.00 |            |
|                       | <hr/>    | \$1,694.00 |



## ANNUAL REPORT

Dr.

|                   |             |             |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| PERSONAL PROPERTY | \$14,265.00 |             |
|                   | <hr/>       | \$14,265.00 |

Cr.

|                       |           |             |
|-----------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Abatements            | \$80.00   |             |
| Amount paid Treasurer | 13,975.00 |             |
| Outstanding           | 210.00    |             |
|                       | <hr/>     | \$14,265.00 |

Dr.

|                      |             |             |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE | \$30,155.79 |             |
| Refunds              | 1,576.02    |             |
|                      | <hr/>       | \$31,731.81 |

Cr.

|                       |            |             |
|-----------------------|------------|-------------|
| Abatements            | \$2,106.81 |             |
| Amount paid Treasurer | 21,612.41  |             |
| Outstanding           | 8,012.59   |             |
|                       | <hr/>      | \$31,731.81 |

Dr.

|             |              |              |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| REAL ESTATE | \$177,095.00 |              |
| Refunds     | 1,155.00     |              |
|             | <hr/>        | \$178,250.00 |

Cr.

|                         |            |              |
|-------------------------|------------|--------------|
| Abatements              | \$7,027.50 |              |
| Additions to Tax Titles | 187.50     |              |
| Amount paid Treasurer   | 160,966.63 |              |
| Outstanding             | 10,068.37  |              |
|                         | <hr/>      | \$178,250.00 |



Dr.

## SEWER ASSESSMENT

|                                |             |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Recommitted, February 27, 1954 | \$13,147.36 |             |
| 1954 Levy                      | 3,093.43    |             |
|                                | <hr/>       | \$16,240.79 |

Cr.

|                       |            |             |
|-----------------------|------------|-------------|
| Amount paid Treasurer | \$2,062.02 |             |
| Outstanding           | 14,178.77  |             |
|                       | <hr/>      | \$16,240.79 |

## OTHER INCOME

|                                |          |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Interest                       | \$397.27 |          |
| Certificates of Municipal Lien | 32.00    |          |
| Tax Taking fees                | 5.75     |          |
|                                | <hr/>    | \$435.02 |
| Amount paid Treasurer          | \$435.02 |          |
|                                | <hr/>    | \$435.02 |

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY S. HART,

*Tax Collector*



## REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

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To the Citizens of Millis:

Submitted herewith is a summary of some of the regular maintenance and repair activities performed by the Millis Water Department during 1954:

|                                                      |     |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Service calls                                        | 246 |
| New services installed                               | 51  |
| Total new taps made                                  | 55  |
| Services renewed                                     | 14  |
| Snow removed from hydrants                           | 2   |
| Meters changed                                       | 12  |
| Meters repaired                                      | 6   |
| Meters read                                          | 98  |
| Old hydrants removed                                 | 2   |
| Hydrant damaged by auto                              | 1   |
| New hydrants installed<br>(complete with gate valve) | 7   |
| Gate boxes raised to grade                           | 29  |

As per instructions received by this Department at the last annual Town Meeting bids for water extensions authorized were solicited and received collectively as follows:

|                                           |            |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|
| J. Gavigan Co., Canton, Mass.             | \$1,813.75 |
| C. E. Simpson & Son, Millis, Mass.        | 1,971.25   |
| Dingley Constructing Co., Natick, Mass.   | 2,425.00   |
| Consigli Construction Co., Milford, Mass. | 2,720.00   |



Contract awarded to J. Gavigan Co., Canton, Mass. Valves, fittings, compound, jute, etc., were purchased by the Water Dept. All taps and appurtenant work done by the Water Dept. All extensions were completed and the roads are back to normal.

The large volume of building in Millis is very much in evidence, it can be seen in all parts of our community. Of course this has had its effect upon the operation of your water department. It is imperative that someone checks the operations of the equipment every day. Therefore, the services of our full-time engineer are required on a seven-day basis, or if he is on vacation or ill, one of the Water Commissioners has to cover for him. We have two pumping stations to oversee, services to install, repairs and maintenance to our existing facilities to accomplish, meters to read and repair, and a variety of miscellaneous duties to perform, which includes such things as placing lanterns in the vicinity of new excavations, cleaning snow from buildings and hydrants and taking his post at the pumping station during all fire alarms. All this is leading to the fact that in the not too distant future another full time employee will be required in the Department if it is to function in the best interests of the health, safety and convenience of the community.

Hurricanes Carol and Edna left their mark on our property as everyone else's. Considerable damage was done to the roof of the old pumping station. To the most part the loss was covered by insurance. Repairs were accomplished and the grounds have been cleared.

The auxiliary equipment which the Town installed two years ago proved its worth during the period of more than a week when we were without power. Our daily pumping schedule was carried on without interruption.

As a result of our request through the Board of Selectmen to the New England Insurance Exchange Rating Bureau to resurvey the Town, steps have been taken by them in this Department in the form of flotation tests. Results should be forthcoming shortly.

A seal coat of tar was placed on the road to the new pumping station this year and it should make a vast improvement in



appearance.

We have just promulgated a complete set of Rules, Regulations and Rates covering the Water Department in general. These together with the recent rules and regulations governing sub-divisions from the recent hydraulic survey have been printed in booklet form and will be distributed this year with the Town Reports. In the future each applicant for service will be furnished with a copy at the time of such request. Application forms are available at the Town Office or the Pumping Station.

This year we are placing articles in the warrant to cover the following:

(1) To erect an elevated tank in the Rockville section of the Town, to conform with the recommendations of the aforementioned Hydraulic Survey. This will enable us to better the fire protection, domestic service and most important to allow us to drain the only tank we now have which is located on Farm Street. This tank has a capacity of 996,000 gallons, and was erected in 1936 with continuous use since then. It has passed the half-way mark in the normal life-expectancy of such a tank, which is approximately 30 years. This tank has never been drained, cleaned or painted inside. It is most necessary that steps be taken to correct this condition at an early date. Therefore, we of this Board respectfully request that favorable consideration be given to this article. We are enclosing a letter relative to specifications and estimated cost.

(2) Our engineering advice recommends installation of this tank in the vicinity of Rockville corner. To save the Town the cost of purchasing land with a resulting loss of possible taxable real estate in times when a broad tax base is of the utmost necessity we urge that affirmative action be taken on an article which would transfer a small portion of that town-owned land under the jurisdiction of the Park Department off Pleasant Street. This will require action by the General Court. We feel that there will be no detriment to the park property.



The Board of Water Commissioners desire to thank all town boards and committees for their excellent cooperation and assistance during the year.

### Water Pumped in 1954

|                           | <i>Gallons</i> | <i>Rainfall</i> |
|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| January                   | 7,540,000      | 2.83            |
| February                  | 7,119,000      | 3.25            |
| March                     | 6,923,000      | 3.83            |
| April                     | 7,814,000      | 4.66            |
| May                       | 7,967,000      | 6.29            |
| June                      | 10,398,000     | 2.20            |
| July                      | 12,793,000     | 2.31            |
| August                    | 10,615,000     | 6.01            |
| September                 | 14,639,000     | 8.99            |
| October                   | 13,503,000     | 2.59            |
| November                  | 11,777,400     | 5.10            |
| December                  | 11,552,600     | 5.72            |
|                           | <hr/>          | <hr/>           |
|                           | 122,641,000    | 53.78           |
| *Greatest day—July 22     | 904,000        |                 |
| Greatest week—Sept. 22-28 | 4,177,820      |                 |
| 1953 Rainfall             |                | 55.18           |
| 1953 Pumpage              | 110,972,800    |                 |
| * <i>Record</i>           |                |                 |

We regret that Mr. Raymond D. Woodmanse no longer desires to seek reelection to the board. Both on behalf of the Town and its Water Department, we wish to thank him for the service that he has so unselfishly rendered during the past 12 years.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL T. CLANCY

ELWAYNE K. COLDWELL

*Water Commissioners*



## ANNUAL REPORT OF WATER REGISTRAR

To the Water Commissioners

Millis, Mass.

|                                             |            |             |
|---------------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Unpaid balance brought forward Jan. 1, 1954 |            | \$ 5,046.26 |
| Charges                                     |            |             |
| First Quarter                               | \$5,015.21 |             |
| Second Quarter                              | 3,084.41   |             |
| Third Quarter                               | 6,507.28   |             |
| Fourth Quarter                              | 1,189.37   |             |
|                                             | <hr/>      |             |
| Total Charges                               |            | 15,796.27   |
|                                             |            | <hr/>       |
|                                             |            | 20,842.53   |
| Cash Receipt                                |            |             |
| First Half                                  | \$5,553.27 |             |
| Second Half                                 | 9,037.40   |             |
|                                             | <hr/>      |             |
|                                             |            | 14,590.67   |
|                                             |            | <hr/>       |
| Balance Dec. 31, 1954                       |            | \$ 6,251.86 |

LENA M. ALLEN,

*Water Registrar*



**COFFIN & RICHARDSON, INC.**

CONSULTING ENGINEERS

68 Devonshire Street

Boston 9, Massachusetts

December 17, 1954

Board of Water Commissioners

Town of Millis

Millis, Massachusetts

Attention: Mr. Paul T. Clancy

Gentlemen:      *Subject: Proposed Elevated Tank, Rockville*

In accordance with your request, we have made a more detailed cost estimate for the construction of the elevated tank in the Rockville section of Millis recommended in our 1953 report entitled, "Water Supply Requirements and Resources of the Town".

This estimate is based upon present day prices and assumes that the Town would purchase all pipe, valves, and fittings and that the work would be performed under three contracts namely:

1. Borings.
2. Construct concrete foundations for tank and excavate, lay, and backfill the 10-inch connecting main with appurtenances.
3. Furnish, deliver, and erect the elevated water tank.

*Contract 1*

|                                                   |           |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Borings                                           | \$ 250.00 |
| Pipe, Valves and Fittings (Furnished by the Town) | 2,700.00  |



*Contract 2*

|                                                                         |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Construct foundations and lay 10" connecting main<br>with appurtenances | 7,300.00 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|

*Contract 3*

|                                                |           |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Furnish and erect 250,000 gallon elevated tank | 46,750.00 |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------|

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| TOTAL ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST | \$57,000.00 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|

|                                                                                                                        |          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Engineering (Includes survey, preparation of plans<br>and specifications and general supervision of con-<br>struction) | 3,500.00 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|

|                                                 |             |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| TOTAL ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION AND<br>ENGINEERING | \$60,500.00 |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------|

This estimate does not include cost of land, rights of way, or legal fees.

Trusting that this is the information which you require at this time, we are,

Very truly yours,

COFFIN & RICHARDSON, INC.

George W. Coffin

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**REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT**  
**For the Year Ending December 31st, 1954**

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To the Citizens of the Town of Millis:

The following is a report of the financial transactions of the Town of Millis for the year ending December 31st, 1954.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank all of the Town Officers and Citizens for their help and cooperation during the past year.

LAWRENCE J. REARDON,

*Town Accountant*

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**RECEIPTS**

|                                         |              |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------|
| Real Estate Taxes—1954                  | \$160,966.63 |
| Personal Taxes                          | 13,975.00    |
| Poll Taxes                              | 1,386.00     |
| Real Estate Tax Previous Year           | 11,557.02    |
| Personal Tax Previous Years             | 2,187.25     |
| Poll Tax Previous Years                 | 70.00        |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1954           | 21,612.41    |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Previous Years | 9,382.34     |
| Water Rates                             | 14,590.67    |
| Sewer Assessments                       | 2,117.02     |
| Tax Titles                              | 168.27       |
| State Aid to Highways                   | 16,521.74    |
| County Aid to Highways                  | 1,573.58     |
| From State Income Tax                   | 14,959.43    |
| From State Corporation Tax              | 22,664.75    |
| From State Old Age Assistance           | 22,380.99    |



|                                                        |            |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Old Age Assistance From Other Cities and Towns         | 1,377.19   |
| From State Aid Dependent Children                      | 2,793.40   |
| From State Disability Assistance                       | 1,111.15   |
| From State Veterans Aid                                | 348.67     |
| From State Smith Hughes Barden Fund                    | 400.00     |
| From State School Aid                                  | 14,800.00  |
| From State School Income Tax                           | 7,400.00   |
| From State School Transportation                       | 5,322.97   |
| From State School Superintendent                       | 1,866.71   |
| From State Vocational                                  | 1,068.01   |
| Liquor Licenses                                        | 1,200.00   |
| Permits and Licenses                                   | 440.00     |
| Milk Permits                                           | 7.00       |
| Junk Licenses                                          | 20.00      |
| Dental Clinic                                          | 154.25     |
| From State Contagious Diseases                         | 55.50      |
| Sealer                                                 | 38.80      |
| Library Fines                                          | 61.37      |
| Withholding Tax                                        | 15,910.29  |
| County Retirement                                      | 3,097.23   |
| Highway Machinery                                      | 2,735.00   |
| Dog Licenses Collected for County                      | 532.80     |
| Dog Licenses Received From County                      | 480.43     |
| School Cafeteria                                       | 12,173.87  |
| School Athletics                                       | 687.62     |
| From Federal Govt. Old Age Assistance                  | 20,908.13  |
| From Federal Govt. Aid Dependent Children              | 3,988.65   |
| From Federal Govt. Disability Assistance               | 1,154.50   |
| From Federal Govt. Welfare Agent's Salary and Expenses | 1,985.92   |
| School Loan                                            | 350,000.00 |
| School Loan Temporary                                  | 30,000.00  |
| Interest on Taxes                                      | 423.34     |
| Perpetual Care Funds                                   | 471.73     |
| Returned Checks                                        | 480.23     |
| Telephone Calls                                        | .40        |
| Hydrants                                               | 428.40     |
| Certification of Notes                                 | 18.00      |



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|                                     |              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Refunds                             | 124.94       |
| Land Court                          | 5.00         |
| Interest and Premium on School Loan | 2,972.60     |
| Tax Takings                         | 5.75         |
| Tax Liens                           | 14.00        |
| From State Meal Tax                 | 1,652.38     |
| Liens Recovery Old Age Assistance   | 5,867.75     |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds       | 458.69       |
| Cemetery Grave and Lot Account      | 551.50       |
| Cemetery Burials                    | 775.00       |
| Treasurer                           | 53.40        |
| Interest on Taxes                   | 28.90        |
|                                     | <hr/>        |
| Total Receipts                      | \$812,564.57 |
| Balance from 1953                   | 134,054.77   |
|                                     | <hr/>        |
|                                     | \$946,619.34 |

## ASSESSORS' EXPENSES

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Appropriation           | \$ 850.00 |
| Payments:               |           |
| Clerical                | \$ 575.00 |
| Printing and Stationery | 125.06    |
| Recording Deeds         | 125.40    |
| All other               | 24.00     |
|                         | <hr/>     |
| Total Payments          | \$ 849.46 |
| Balance to Revenue      | .54       |
|                         | <hr/>     |
|                         | \$ 850.00 |

## AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN

|                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation                | \$6,000.00 |
| Received from Federal Grants | 3,988.65   |
|                              | <hr/>      |
|                              | \$9,988.65 |



## Payments:

|               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Cash Aid Paid | \$7,739.55 |
| Medical Care  | 970.34     |

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 \$8,709.89

|                                       |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Balance to Revenue Town Appropriation | 1,278.76 |
|---------------------------------------|----------|

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 \$9,988.65

## ACORN STREET LAND DAMAGES

|               |           |
|---------------|-----------|
| Appropriation | \$ 533.00 |
|---------------|-----------|

## Payments:

|                                       |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| No Payments (Amount Held for Payment) | \$ 533.00 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|

## AMERICAN LEGION POST

|               |           |
|---------------|-----------|
| Appropriation | \$ 600.00 |
|---------------|-----------|

## Payments:

|                  |           |
|------------------|-----------|
| Paid to Post 208 | \$ 600.00 |
|------------------|-----------|

## BARSTON'S BRIDGE

|               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,800.00 |
|---------------|------------|

|             |        |
|-------------|--------|
| State Share | 800.00 |
|-------------|--------|

|              |        |
|--------------|--------|
| County Share | 800.00 |
|--------------|--------|

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 \$3,400.00

## Payments:

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| Paid Contractor | \$1,727.50 |
|-----------------|------------|

|                                 |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Balance reserved for completion | 1,672.50 |
|---------------------------------|----------|

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 \$3,400.00

## CEMETERIES

|               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,500.00 |
|---------------|------------|

|                                        |          |
|----------------------------------------|----------|
| Transferred from Lot and Grave Account | 1,000.00 |
|----------------------------------------|----------|



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|                               |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 500.00 |
|-------------------------------|--------|

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|  |            |
|--|------------|
|  | \$4,000.00 |
|--|------------|

## Payments:

|                       |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Labor                 | \$3019.09 |
| Trucks                | 195.50    |
| Loam                  | 52.50     |
| Trees and Shrubs      | 83.00     |
| Equipment and Repairs | 565.08    |
| All Other             | 34.00     |

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|                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Total Payments | \$3,949.17 |
|----------------|------------|

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Balance to Revenue | 50.83 |
|--------------------|-------|

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|  |            |
|--|------------|
|  | \$4,000.00 |
|--|------------|

## CIVIL DEFENSE

|               |           |
|---------------|-----------|
| Appropriation | \$ 200.00 |
|---------------|-----------|

## Payments:

|           |          |
|-----------|----------|
| Telephone | \$ 95.10 |
|-----------|----------|

|                    |        |
|--------------------|--------|
| Balance to Revenue | 104.90 |
|--------------------|--------|

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|  |           |
|--|-----------|
|  | \$ 200.00 |
|--|-----------|

## COUNTY HOSPITAL

|               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$3,430.25 |
|---------------|------------|

## Payments:

|                     |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| Pay County Hospital | \$2,806.68 |
|---------------------|------------|

|                    |        |
|--------------------|--------|
| Balance to Revenue | 623.57 |
|--------------------|--------|

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|  |            |
|--|------------|
|  | \$3,430.25 |
|--|------------|

## DEBT AND INTEREST

|               |             |
|---------------|-------------|
| Appropriation | \$17,366.00 |
|---------------|-------------|



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|                               |             |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Transferred from Reserve Fund |             | 480.01      |
|                               |             | <hr/>       |
|                               |             | \$17,846.01 |
| Payments:                     |             |             |
| Notes Paid                    | \$10,300.00 |             |
| Interest Paid                 | 7,546.01    |             |
|                               | <hr/>       |             |
|                               |             | \$17,846.01 |

## DENTAL HEALTH

|                               |           |            |
|-------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Appropriation                 |           | \$1,000.00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund |           | 51.32      |
|                               |           | <hr/>      |
|                               |           | \$1,051.32 |
| Payments:                     |           |            |
| Supplies and Equipment        | \$ 391.32 |            |
| Dentist                       | 660.00    |            |
|                               | <hr/>     |            |
| Total Payments                |           | \$1,051.32 |

## DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

|                               |            |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation                 |            | \$3,300.00 |
| Received from Federal Grants  |            | 1,154.50   |
|                               |            | <hr/>      |
|                               |            | \$4,454.50 |
| Payments:                     |            |            |
| Cash Aid                      | \$1,333.20 |            |
| Medical                       | 1,800.55   |            |
|                               | <hr/>      |            |
| Total Payments                | \$3,133.75 |            |
| Balance to Revenue Town Grant | 1,320.75   |            |
|                               | <hr/>      |            |
|                               |            | \$4,454.50 |

## DUTCH ELM DISEASE

|               |  |            |
|---------------|--|------------|
| Appropriation |  | \$2,000.00 |
|---------------|--|------------|



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## Payments:

|             |            |
|-------------|------------|
| Labor       | \$1,213.85 |
| Spraying    | 355.00     |
| Hired Labor | 426.50     |

## Total Payments

\$1,995.35

## Balance to Revenue

4.65

\$2,000.00

## ELECTION EXPENSES

## Appropriation

\$ 600.00

## Payments:

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Printing          | \$ 237.10 |
| All Other Expense | 179.40    |

## Total Payments

\$ 416.50

## Balance to Revenue

183.50

\$ 600.00

## FILTER BED REPAIRS

## Balance Carried Forward on Contract

\$ 190.00

## Payments:

Paid balance due Contractor

\$ 190.00

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Appropriation

\$6,865.00

## Payments:

|                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| Wages            | \$2,444.50 |
| Supplies         | 1,148.14   |
| Gas              | 94.17      |
| Upkeep of Trucks | 1,104.12   |
| Fuel             | 350.07     |
| Electricity      | 213.20     |
| Telephone        | 236.45     |



|                         |            |            |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|
| Hose                    | 776.25     |            |
| Stationery and Supplies | 82.67      |            |
| Building Repairs        | 89.62      |            |
| All Other               | 60.50      |            |
|                         | <hr/>      |            |
| Total Payments          | \$6,599.69 |            |
| Balance to Revenue      | 265.31     |            |
|                         | <hr/>      |            |
|                         |            | \$6,865.00 |

## FIRE STATION INSURANCE

|                              |          |            |
|------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Balance from 1953            |          | \$3,575.03 |
| Payments:                    |          |            |
| Repairs                      | \$ 19.48 |            |
| Balance in Insurance Account | 3,555.55 |            |
|                              | <hr/>    |            |
|                              |          | \$3,575.03 |

## FUNDED DEBT

|                              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Sewer Construction Loan 1950 | \$96,000.00  |
| Pumping Station Loan 1952    | 21,100.00    |
| Sewer Construction Loan 1953 | 3,000.00     |
| Water Extension Loan 1953    | 14,400.00    |
| New School Loan 1954         | 350,000.00   |
|                              | <hr/>        |
|                              | \$484,500.00 |

## GARBAGE COLLECTION

|                               |            |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation                 |            | \$1,800.00 |
| Payments:                     |            |            |
| Cost of Collection of Garbage | \$1,750.00 |            |
| Balance to Revenue            | 50.00      |            |
|                               | <hr/>      |            |
|                               |            | \$1,800.00 |



## HURRICANE CAROL EXPENDITURES

|                            |            |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Cemeteries                 | \$ 738.90  |
| Highways                   | 2,391.90   |
| Trees                      | 2,916.50   |
| Supplies and Equipment     | 780.01     |
| Fire Department            | 889.50     |
| Park Department            | 583.60     |
| Water Department           | 74.10      |
| Repairs to Pumping Station | 221.10     |
| Police Department          | 121.75     |
|                            | <hr/>      |
| Total                      | \$8,717.36 |

## HURRICANE EDNA EXPENDITURES

|         |            |
|---------|------------|
| Highway | \$1,227.00 |
| Trees   | 55.90      |
| Fire    | 454.50     |
| Sewer   | 145.50     |
|         | <hr/>      |
| Total   | \$1,882.90 |

## HIGHWAYS CHAPTER 81

|                        |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Appropriation          | \$6,300.00  |
| State Aid              | 11,550.00   |
|                        | <hr/>       |
|                        | \$17,850.00 |
| Payments:              |             |
| Wages                  | \$6,251.25  |
| Tarvia, Asphalt        | 4,418.07    |
| Stone, Sand and Gravel | 772.29      |
| Equipment              | 626.10      |
| Machinery              | 5,658.58    |
| Masons                 | 76.35       |
| Brick                  | 47.00       |
|                        | <hr/>       |
| Total Payments         | \$17,849.64 |



|                    |       |             |
|--------------------|-------|-------------|
| Balance to Revenue | .36   |             |
|                    | <hr/> | \$17,850.00 |

## HIGHWAYS CHAPTER 90

|               |       |            |
|---------------|-------|------------|
| Appropriation |       | \$1,000.00 |
| State Aid     |       | 1,000.00   |
| County Aid    |       | 1,000.00   |
|               | <hr/> | \$3,000.00 |

## Payments:

|                        |           |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Wages                  | \$ 511.80 |
| Tarvia and Asphalt     | 2,069.92  |
| Sand, Gravel and Stone | 68.71     |
| Machinery              | 346.00    |

|                    |            |
|--------------------|------------|
| Total Payments     | \$2,996.43 |
| Balance to Revenue | 3.57       |

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\$3,000.00

## HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

|                |             |
|----------------|-------------|
| Appropriation  | \$11,550.00 |
| Returned Check | 300.74      |

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\$11,850.74

## Payments:

|                           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Superintendent's Expenses | \$ 283.68 |
| Telephone                 | 128.74    |
| Wages                     | 6,482.28  |
| Stone, Sand and Gravel    | 359.96    |
| Equipment and Repairs     | 1,282.30  |
| Electricity               | 13.41     |
| Tarvia, Patch and Oil     | 787.44    |
| Machinery                 | 1,614.00  |
| Hired Labor               | 331.09    |



|                     |             |             |
|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Freight and Express | 15.07       |             |
| Signs               | 37.00       |             |
| Advertising         | 1.90        |             |
| Engineer            | 151.48      |             |
| Pipe                | 37.73       |             |
| Gas                 | 323.17      |             |
|                     | <hr/>       |             |
| Total Payments      | \$11,849.25 |             |
| Balance to Revenue  | 1.49        |             |
|                     | <hr/>       |             |
|                     |             | \$11,850.74 |

## HIGHWAY MACHINERY

|                                  |            |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Machinery Fund January 1st, 1954 |            | \$1,954.70 |
| Payments:                        |            |            |
| Gas and Oil                      | \$1,068.04 |            |
| Truck Upkeep                     | 834.31     |            |
|                                  | <hr/>      |            |
| Total Payments                   | \$1,902.35 |            |
| Balance Forward to 1955          | 52.35      |            |
|                                  | <hr/>      |            |
|                                  |            | \$1,954.70 |

## HEALTH

|                             |            |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation               |            | \$1,500.00 |
| Payments:                   |            |            |
| Labor                       | \$ 106.25  |            |
| Printing                    | 37.50      |            |
| Hospital Board and Care     | 410.00     |            |
| Medical                     | 43.00      |            |
| Board Tuberculosis Patients | 637.50     |            |
| Expenses                    | 200.00     |            |
|                             | <hr/>      |            |
| Total Payments              | \$1,434.25 |            |
| Balance to Revenue          | 65.75      |            |
|                             | <hr/>      |            |
|                             |            | \$1,500.00 |



## INSURANCE

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation                 | \$6,000.00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 947.36     |
|                               | <hr/>      |
|                               | \$6,947.36 |
| Payments:                     |            |
| Paid for Insurance            | \$6,947.36 |

## LEGAL EXPENSES

|                                  |           |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Appropriation                    | \$ 350.00 |
| Payments:                        |           |
| No Payments (Balance to Revenue) | \$ 350.00 |

## LIBRARY

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation           | \$1,000.00 |
| Dog License from County | 480.43     |
|                         | <hr/>      |
|                         | \$1,480.43 |

|                        |           |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Payments:              |           |
| Librarian's Salary     | \$ 444.00 |
| Assistant Librarian    | 42.00     |
| Janitor                | 18.00     |
| Books                  | 734.08    |
| Repairs                | 159.83    |
| Janitor's Supplies     | 1.93      |
| Postage and Stationery | 8.30      |
| Printing               | 43.56     |
| All Other              | 28.73     |

|                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Total Payments | <hr/>      |
|                | \$1,480.43 |

## MEMORIAL DAY

|               |           |
|---------------|-----------|
| Appropriation | \$ 500.00 |
| Payments:     |           |
| Bands         | \$ 342.00 |



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|---------------------|-----------|
| Flowers             | 10.50     |
| Flags               | 47.25     |
| Printing            | 50.00     |
| Refreshments        | 25.64     |
| Legion Post Expense | 24.61     |
|                     | <hr/>     |
| Total Payments      | \$ 500.00 |

## MAIN STREET SIDEWALK

|                    |            |            |
|--------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation      |            | \$1,500.00 |
| Payments:          |            |            |
| Labor              | \$1,134.80 |            |
| Machinery          | 194.50     |            |
| Sand and Gravel    | 92.72      |            |
| Tarvia             | 63.40      |            |
|                    | <hr/>      |            |
| Total Payments     | \$1,485.42 |            |
| Balance to Revenue | 14.58      |            |
|                    | <hr/>      |            |
|                    |            | \$1,500.00 |

## MEMORIAL PARK

|                    |          |           |
|--------------------|----------|-----------|
| Appropriation      |          | \$ 150.00 |
| Payments:          |          |           |
| Labor              | \$ 32.90 |           |
| Supplies           | 8.50     |           |
| Flowers            | 30.00    |           |
|                    | <hr/>    |           |
| Total Payments     | \$ 71.40 |           |
| Balance to Revenue | 78.60    |           |
|                    | <hr/>    |           |
|                    |          | \$ 150.00 |

## MOTH DEPARTMENT

|               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,400.00 |
|---------------|------------|



## Payments:

|          |           |
|----------|-----------|
| Labor    | \$ 163.40 |
| Supplies | 9.96      |
| Spraying | 260.00    |

|                    |           |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Total Payments     | \$ 433.36 |
| Balance to Revenue | 966.64    |

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\$1,400.00

## NEW WELLS

|                           |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Balance Forward from 1953 | \$1,094.79 |
|---------------------------|------------|

## Payments:

|            |           |
|------------|-----------|
| Building   | \$ 957.99 |
| Contractor | 27.69     |
| Asphalt    | 75.00     |

|                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| Total Payments   | \$1,060.68 |
| Balance Reserved | 34.11      |

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\$1,094.79

## NURSE

|               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,500.00 |
|---------------|------------|

## Payments:

|                    |            |
|--------------------|------------|
| Salaries of Nurses | \$2,500.00 |
|--------------------|------------|

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

|                                  |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Appropriation                    | \$40,000.00 |
| Received from Federal Government | 20,908.13   |

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\$60,908.13

## Payments:

|          |             |
|----------|-------------|
| Cash Aid | \$43,890.51 |
|----------|-------------|



|                               |             |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Medical                       | 9,908.14    |             |
| Other Cities and Towns        | 667.83      |             |
| Board                         | 289.57      |             |
|                               | <hr/>       |             |
| Total Payments                | \$54,756.05 |             |
| Balance to Revenue Town Grant | 6,152.08    |             |
|                               | <hr/>       |             |
|                               |             | \$60,908.13 |

## PARK

|                    |            |            |
|--------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation      |            | \$2,200.00 |
| Payments:          |            |            |
| Labor              | \$ 738.35  |            |
| Plumbing           | 125.00     |            |
| Loam and Gravel    | 294.50     |            |
| Equipment          | 163.35     |            |
| Repairs            | 85.00      |            |
|                    | <hr/>      |            |
| Total Payments     | \$1,406.20 |            |
| Balance to Revenue | 793.80     |            |
|                    | <hr/>      |            |
|                    |            | \$2,200.00 |

## PLANNING BOARD

|                    |          |           |
|--------------------|----------|-----------|
| Appropriation      |          | \$ 250.00 |
| Payments:          |          |           |
| Advertising        | \$ 29.85 |           |
| Plans              | 15.00    |           |
|                    | <hr/>    |           |
| Total Payments     | \$ 44.85 |           |
| Balance to Revenue | 205.15   |           |
|                    | <hr/>    |           |
|                    |          | \$ 250.00 |



## POLICE

|                               |            |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation                 |            | \$8,690.00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund |            | 918.42     |
|                               |            | <hr/>      |
|                               |            | \$9,608.42 |
| Payments:                     |            |            |
| Chief                         | \$3,989.44 |            |
| Specials                      | 4,099.70   |            |
| Gas                           | 416.30     |            |
| Telephone                     | 310.35     |            |
| Car Upkeep                    | 279.01     |            |
| Supplies                      | 143.12     |            |
| Radio Phone                   | 200.00     |            |
| Uniforms                      | 107.00     |            |
| All Other                     | 63.50      |            |
|                               | <hr/>      |            |
| Total Payments                | \$9,608.42 | \$9,608.42 |

## RECONDITIONING ELECTRIC PUMP

|                   |           |           |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Balance from 1953 |           | \$ 319.75 |
| Payments:         |           |           |
| Pump Upkeep       | \$ 256.82 |           |
| Balance Reserved  | 62.93     |           |
|                   | <hr/>     |           |
|                   |           | \$ 319.75 |

## REGISTRARS' EXPENSES

|                         |           |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation           |           | \$ 300.00 |
| Payments:               |           |           |
| Wages                   | \$ 203.45 |           |
| Stationery and Expenses | 70.10     |           |
|                         | <hr/>     |           |
| Total Payments          | \$ 273.55 |           |
| Balance to Revenue      | 26.45     |           |
|                         | <hr/>     |           |
|                         |           | \$ 300.00 |



## REFUNDS

|                           |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Motor Vehicle Excise Tax  | \$1,964.21 |
| Real Estate Tax           | 1,280.00   |
| Bottling License to State | 10.00      |
|                           | <hr/>      |
| Total Refunds             | \$3,254.21 |

## RESERVE FUND

|                                  |            |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation                    |            | \$8,000.00 |
| Payments or Transfers from Fund: |            |            |
| Debt and Interest                | \$ 480.01  |            |
| Election Officers' Salaries      | 231.33     |            |
| Insurance                        | 947.36     |            |
| Police                           | 918.42     |            |
| Teachers' Salaries               | 616.07     |            |
| Tax Coll. Tax Taking Expense     | 155.49     |            |
| Town Office Expenses             | 11.99      |            |
| Welfare                          | 1,377.07   |            |
| Dental Health                    | 51.32      |            |
| Sewer Maintenance                | 161.26     |            |
| School Park Grounds              | 200.00     |            |
| Tarring Park Road                | 100.00     |            |
| Treasurer's Expenses             | 58.27      |            |
|                                  | <hr/>      |            |
| Total Transfers                  | \$5,308.59 |            |
| Balance to Revenue               | 2,691.41   |            |
|                                  | <hr/>      |            |
|                                  |            | \$8,000.00 |

## SEALER'S EXPENSES

|                    |         |          |
|--------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation      |         | \$ 50.00 |
| Payments:          |         |          |
| Supplies           | \$ 4.47 |          |
| Balance to Revenue | 45.53   |          |
|                    | <hr/>   |          |
|                    |         | \$ 50.00 |



## SEWER MAINTENANCE

|                               |            |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation                 |            | \$2,500.00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 161.26     |            |
|                               |            | <hr/>      |
|                               |            | \$2,661.26 |
| Payments:                     |            |            |
| Superintendent's Salary       | \$ 300.00  |            |
| Superintendent's Labor        | 128.00     |            |
| Wages                         | 605.20     |            |
| Printing                      | 45.50      |            |
| Supplies and Equipment        | 948.30     |            |
| Electricity                   | 119.76     |            |
| Outside Labor                 | 514.50     |            |
|                               | <hr/>      |            |
| Total Payments                | \$2,661.26 |            |

## SEWER EXTENSIONS 1953

|                                  |            |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Balance from 1953                |            | \$2,767.37 |
| Payments:                        |            |            |
| Transferred to 1954 Construction | \$1,198.71 |            |
| Liens                            | 5.31       |            |
| Labor                            | 109.00     |            |
| Machinery                        | 298.50     |            |
| Material                         | 348.91     |            |
|                                  | <hr/>      |            |
| Total Payments and Transfers     | \$1,960.43 |            |
| Balance Reserved                 | 806.94     |            |
|                                  | <hr/>      |            |
|                                  |            | \$2,767.37 |

## SEWER CONSTRUCTION 1952

|                                  |           |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance from 1952                | \$ 701.29 |
| Payments:                        |           |
| Transferred to 1954 Construction | \$ 701.29 |



## SEWER CONSTRUCTION 1954

|                       |            |            |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation         |            | \$6,100.00 |
| Transferred from 1952 |            | 701.29     |
| Transferred from 1953 |            | 1,198.71   |
|                       |            | <hr/>      |
|                       |            | \$8,000.00 |
| Payments:             |            |            |
| Liens                 | \$ 34.59   |            |
| Advertising           | 15.00      |            |
| Contractor            | 5,187.24   |            |
| Labor                 | 408.55     |            |
| Engineer              | 702.62     |            |
| Material              | 196.78     |            |
|                       | <hr/>      |            |
| Total Payments        | \$6,544.78 |            |
| Balance Reserved      | 1,455.22   |            |
|                       | <hr/>      |            |
|                       |            | \$8,000.00 |

## SUMMER RECREATIONAL PROGRAMME

|                    |           |           |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation      |           | \$ 600.00 |
| Payments:          |           |           |
| Payrolls           | \$ 469.28 |           |
| Supplies           | 28.40     |           |
|                    | <hr/>     |           |
| Total Payments     | \$ 497.68 |           |
| Balance to Revenue | 102.32    |           |
|                    | <hr/>     |           |
|                    |           | \$ 600.00 |

## SCHOOL TEACHERS' SALARIES

|                               |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Appropriation                 | \$88,817.00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 616.07      |
|                               | <hr/>       |
|                               | \$89,433.07 |



## Payments:

Salaries Paid

\$89,433.07

## SCHOOL OPERATING EXPENSES

## Appropriation

\$35,592.00

## Payments:

Superintendent's Salary

\$3,586.95

Clerk's Salary

1,700.00

Expenses

691.02

Books

4,401.29

Supplies

4,722.44

Athletics

1,912.18

Bus Upkeep

612.33

Gas

654.32

Janitors' Salaries

7,773.40

Electricity

1,849.92

Fuel

2,266.94

Repairs

921.08

Janitors' Supplies

1,408.88

Printing and Postage

326.70

Freight and Express

2.40

Telephone

450.05

Outside Labor

357.50

Furniture

199.55

Nurse

949.92

Medical Supplies

37.62

Lumber

151.09

Total Payments

\$34,975.58

Balance to Revenue

616.42

\$35,592.00

## SCHOOL—VOCATIONAL TUITION

## Appropriation

\$1,200.00

## Payments:



|                    |           |            |
|--------------------|-----------|------------|
| Tuition Paid       | \$ 595.08 |            |
| Transportation     | 35.75     |            |
|                    | <hr/>     |            |
| Total Payments     | \$ 630.83 |            |
| Balance to Revenue | 569.17    |            |
|                    | <hr/>     |            |
|                    |           | \$1,200.00 |

## SCHOOL—ADULT EVENING PRACTICAL ARTS

|               |           |
|---------------|-----------|
| Appropriation | \$ 350.00 |
| Payments:     |           |
| Salaries Paid | \$ 350.00 |

## SCHOOL—CAFETERIA

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Balance Carried Forward from 1953 | \$1,252.84  |
| Received for Sale of Lunches 1954 | 12,173.87   |
|                                   | <hr/>       |
|                                   | \$13,426.71 |

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Payments:               |             |
| Wages                   | \$2,413.00  |
| Milk                    | 4,075.72    |
| Food                    | 3,691.57    |
| Bread                   | 585.21      |
| Supplies                | 520.13      |
| Ice Cream               | 1,141.70    |
| Freight and Express     | 61.61       |
|                         | <hr/>       |
| Total Payments          | \$12,488.94 |
| Balance Forward to 1955 | 937.77      |
|                         | <hr/>       |

\$13,426.71

## SCHOOL—ATHLETICS

|                                   |           |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance Carried Forward from 1953 | \$ 263.33 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|



|                         |           |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Receipts for 1954       |           | 687.62    |
|                         |           | <hr/>     |
|                         |           | \$ 950.95 |
| Payments:               |           |           |
| Wages of Referees       | \$ 531.00 |           |
| Bus Drivers             | 83.00     |           |
| Supplies                | 157.93    |           |
| Association Dues        | 13.00     |           |
|                         | <hr/>     |           |
| Total Payments          | \$ 784.93 |           |
| Balance Forward to 1955 | 166.02    |           |
|                         | <hr/>     |           |
|                         |           | \$ 950.95 |

## SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE EXPENSES

|                     |           |           |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation       |           | \$ 800.00 |
| Payments:           |           |           |
| Legal               | \$ 201.72 |           |
| Supplies and Photos | 19.20     |           |
| Clerk and Expenses  | 95.56     |           |
| Insurance           | 10.00     |           |
| Surveyor            | 182.00    |           |
| Printing            | 135.00    |           |
|                     | <hr/>     |           |
| Total Payments      | \$ 643.48 |           |
| Balance to Revenue  | 156.52    |           |
|                     | <hr/>     |           |
|                     |           | \$ 800.00 |

## NEW SCHOOL BUILDING

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Balance Forward from 1954   | \$2,345.42   |
| Temporary Loan              | 30,000.00    |
| School Loan on Serial Notes | 350,000.00   |
|                             | <hr/>        |
|                             | \$382,345.42 |



## Payments:

|                                 |              |              |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Contractor                      | \$263,187.76 |              |
| Water Installation              | 6,986.70     |              |
| Architect                       | 6,359.33     |              |
| Surveyor                        | 107.75       |              |
| Equipment                       | 18,532.44    |              |
| Labor                           | 506.55       |              |
| Machinery                       | 890.56       |              |
| Tar and Gravel                  | 242.90       |              |
| Pipe                            | 123.64       |              |
| Grading                         | 5,400.00     |              |
| Insurance                       | 42.94        |              |
| Temporary Loan                  | 30,000.00    |              |
|                                 | <hr/>        |              |
| Total Payments                  | \$332,380.57 |              |
| Balance Reserved for Completion | 49,964.85    |              |
|                                 | <hr/>        |              |
|                                 |              | \$382,345.42 |

## SCHOOL AUDITORIUM FLOOR

|                    |            |            |
|--------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation      |            | \$5,000.00 |
| Payments:          |            |            |
| Cost of New Floor  | \$4,467.27 |            |
| Balance to Revenue | 532.73     |            |
|                    | <hr/>      |            |
|                    |            | \$5,000.00 |

## SCHOOL—PARK GROUNDS

|                                         |           |           |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Transferred from Reserve Fund July 12th |           | \$ 200.00 |
| Payments:                               |           |           |
| Labor                                   | \$ 184.75 |           |
| Supplies                                | 7.00      |           |
|                                         | <hr/>     |           |
| Total Payments                          | \$ 191.75 |           |
| Balance to Revenue                      | 8.25      |           |
|                                         | <hr/>     |           |
|                                         |           | \$ 200.00 |



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## STREET LIGHTS

|                         |            |            |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation           |            | \$5,000.00 |
| Payments:               |            |            |
| Cost of Street Lighting | \$4,589.61 |            |
| Balance to Revenue      | 410.39     |            |
|                         | <hr/>      | \$5,000.00 |

## SNOW REMOVAL

|                       |            |            |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation         |            | \$5,500.00 |
| Payments:             |            |            |
| Wages                 | \$2,420.75 |            |
| Hired Trucks          | 626.50     |            |
| Equipment and Repairs | 1,229.87   |            |
| Salt                  | 538.90     |            |
| Sand                  | 279.30     |            |
| Gas                   | 122.64     |            |
| Freight               | 1.50       |            |
|                       | <hr/>      |            |
| Total Payments        | \$5,219.46 |            |
| Balance to Revenue    | 280.54     |            |
|                       | <hr/>      | \$5,500.00 |

## SERVICE BOARD MAINTENANCE

|                         |          |           |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Appropriation           |          | \$ 150.00 |
| Payments:               |          |           |
| Labor Maintaining Board | \$ 74.86 |           |
| Balance to Revenue      | 75.14    |           |
|                         | <hr/>    | \$ 150.00 |

## SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE

|               |           |
|---------------|-----------|
| Appropriation | \$ 200.00 |
|---------------|-----------|



## Payments:

|                                      |           |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| No Expenditures (Balance to Revenue) | \$ 200.00 |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|

## SMITH HUGHES BARDEN FUND

|                                |           |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Fund January 1, 1954           | \$ 157.00 |
| Received on May 31st, 1954     | 200.00    |
| Received on October 30th, 1954 | 200.00    |
|                                | <hr/>     |
|                                | \$ 557.00 |

## Payments:

|                                     |           |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Payrolls                            | \$ 360.00 |
| Balance in Fund December 31st, 1954 | 197.00    |
|                                     | <hr/>     |
|                                     | \$ 557.00 |

## TRUST AND INVESTMENT FUNDS

|                               |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Cemetery General Care Funds   | \$ 5,442.77 |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds | 10,293.61   |
| Library Emerson Fund          | 254.23      |
| Library Woolvett Fund         | 2,794.44    |
| Stabilization Fund            | 17,000.00   |
|                               | <hr/>       |
|                               | \$35,785.05 |

## VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

|               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,250.00 |
| Payments:     |            |
| Salary        | \$ 733.54  |
| Expenses      | 516.46     |
|               | <hr/>      |
|               | \$1,250.00 |

## VETERANS' AID

|               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,000.00 |
|---------------|------------|



|                    |            |            |
|--------------------|------------|------------|
| Payments:          |            |            |
| Cash Aid Paid      | \$ 691.50  |            |
| Medical Aid        | 1,129.37   |            |
|                    | <hr/>      |            |
| Total Payments     | \$1,820.87 |            |
| Balance to Revenue | 179.13     |            |
|                    | <hr/>      |            |
|                    |            | \$2,000.00 |

## WELFARE AGENT'S SALARY AND EXPENSES

|                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation                | \$2,200.00 |
| Received from Federal Grants | 1,985.92   |
|                              | <hr/>      |
|                              | \$4,185.92 |

|                                          |            |         |
|------------------------------------------|------------|---------|
| Payments:                                |            |         |
| Agent's Salary                           | \$3,669.19 |         |
| Expenses                                 | 520.28     |         |
|                                          | <hr/>      |         |
| Total Payments                           | \$4,189.47 |         |
| Overpayment from Federal Grants for 1955 |            | \$ 3.55 |

## TOWN OFFICE RENOVATIONS

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Balance January 1st, 1954        | \$3,384.27 |
| Payments:                        |            |
| Architect                        | \$ 461.79  |
| Contractor                       | 1,776.80   |
| Repairs                          | 941.21     |
| Chairs                           | 51.00      |
|                                  | <hr/>      |
| Total Payments                   | \$3,230.80 |
| Balance Reserved for Renovations | 153.47     |
|                                  | <hr/>      |
|                                  | \$3,384.27 |



## TRACTOR AND SANDER

|                             |            |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation               |            | \$3,100.00 |
| Payments:                   |            |            |
| Paid for Tractor and Sander | \$3,091.70 |            |
| Balance to Revenue          | 8.30       |            |
|                             | <hr/>      | \$3,100.00 |

## TREE DEPARTMENT

|                    |            |            |
|--------------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation      |            | \$1,700.00 |
| Payments:          |            |            |
| Wages              | \$1,261.87 |            |
| Supplies           | 270.92     |            |
|                    | <hr/>      |            |
| Total Payments     | \$1,532.79 |            |
| Balance to Revenue | 167.21     |            |
|                    | <hr/>      | \$1,700.00 |

## TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS PAID

|                               |             |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| County Tax                    | \$ 5,736.71 |             |
| Smoke Service                 | 43.31       |             |
| State Parks                   | 714.50      |             |
| State Audit                   | 2,500.13    |             |
| Dog Tax to County             | 523.80      |             |
| Withholding Tax               | 19,998.39   |             |
| County Retirement Assessments | 3,425.51    |             |
| County Pension Costs          | 2,220.94    |             |
|                               | <hr/>       |             |
| Total Taxes and Assessments   |             | \$35,163.29 |

## TOWN OFFICE CLERK

|                             |  |            |
|-----------------------------|--|------------|
| Appropriation               |  | \$2,340.00 |
| Payments:                   |  |            |
| Salary of Town Office Clerk |  | \$2,340.00 |



## TOWN OFFICE JANITOR

|               |           |
|---------------|-----------|
| Appropriation | \$ 200.00 |
| Payments:     |           |
| Paid Janitor  | \$ 200.00 |

## TOWN OFFICE EXPENSES

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation                 | \$1,960.00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 11.99      |
|                               | <hr/>      |
|                               | \$1,971.99 |

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Payments:                        |            |
| Telephone                        | \$ 141.60  |
| Printing, Postage and Stationery | 467.60     |
| Fuel                             | 533.63     |
| Electricity                      | 183.02     |
| Janitors' Supplies               | 68.66      |
| Repairs                          | 64.88      |
| All Other Expenses               | 512.60     |
|                                  | <hr/>      |
| Total Payments                   | \$1,971.99 |

## TOWN REPORTS

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation            | \$1,500.00 |
| Payments:                |            |
| Cost of Printing Reports | \$1,447.50 |
| Balance to Revenue       | 52.50      |
|                          | <hr/>      |
|                          | \$1,500.00 |

## TOWN CLOCK

|                  |           |
|------------------|-----------|
| Appropriation    | \$ 100.00 |
| Payments:        |           |
| Repairs to Clock | \$ 47.64  |



|                    |       |           |
|--------------------|-------|-----------|
| Balance to Revenue | 52.36 |           |
|                    | <hr/> | \$ 100.00 |

## TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSES

|                               |           |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation                 |           | \$ 800.00 |
| Payments:                     |           |           |
| Printing, Postage, Stationery | \$ 524.84 |           |
| Bonds                         | 233.50    |           |
| Expenses                      | 34.57     |           |
|                               | <hr/>     |           |
| Total Payments                | \$ 792.91 |           |
| Balance to Revenue            | 7.09      |           |
|                               | <hr/>     | \$ 800.00 |

## TAX COLLECTOR'S TAX TAKING EXPENSES

|                                  |          |           |
|----------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Appropriation                    |          | \$ 50.00  |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund    |          | 155.49    |
|                                  |          | <hr/>     |
|                                  |          | \$ 205.49 |
| Payments:                        |          |           |
| Printing, Postage and Stationery | \$ 15.45 |           |
| Recording Deeds                  | 34.37    |           |
| Advertising                      | 28.75    |           |
| Expenses                         | 126.92   |           |
|                                  | <hr/>    |           |
|                                  |          | \$ 205.49 |

## TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S EXPENSES

|                    |           |           |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation      |           | \$ 150.00 |
| Payments:          |           |           |
| Forms and Supplies | \$ 120.98 |           |



|                    |       |           |
|--------------------|-------|-----------|
| Balance to Revenue | 29.02 |           |
|                    | <hr/> | \$ 150.00 |

## TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES

|                         |           |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Appropriation           |           | \$ 350.00 |
| Payments:               |           |           |
| Recording Fees          | \$ 210.40 |           |
| Printing and Stationery | 49.52     |           |
| Clerical                | 90.00     |           |
|                         | <hr/>     |           |
| Total Payments          | \$ 349.92 |           |
| Balance to Revenue      | .08       |           |
|                         | <hr/>     | \$ 350.00 |

## TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

|                               |           |            |
|-------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Appropriation                 |           | \$6,195.00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund |           | 231.33     |
|                               |           | <hr/>      |
|                               |           | \$6,426.33 |
| Payments:                     |           |            |
| Selectmen                     | \$ 300.00 |            |
| Accountant                    | 1,000.00  |            |
| Treasurer                     | 450.00    |            |
| Tax Collector                 | 775.00    |            |
| Assessors                     | 720.00    |            |
| Clerk                         | 175.00    |            |
| Election Officers             | 531.33    |            |
| Registrars                    | 45.00     |            |
| Dog Officer                   | 100.00    |            |
| Wire Inspector                | 100.00    |            |
| Slaughter Inspector           | 480.00    |            |
| Animal Inspector              | 150.00    |            |
| Milk Inspector                | 50.00     |            |



|                     |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| Welfare Board       | 250.00     |
| School Committee    | 250.00     |
| Water Registrar     | 400.00     |
| Water Commissioners | 200.00     |
| Fire Commissioners  | 200.00     |
| Sewer Commissioners | 200.00     |
| Sealer              | 50.00      |
|                     | <hr/>      |
| Total Payments      | \$6,426.33 |

## TREASURER'S EXPENSES

|                               |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Appropriation                 | \$ 350.00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 58.27     |
|                               | <hr/>     |
|                               | \$ 408.27 |
| Payments:                     |           |
| Printing, Postage             | \$ 129.18 |
| Expenses                      | 134.03    |
| Bond                          | 143.00    |
|                               | <hr/>     |
| Total Payments                | \$ 406.21 |
| Balance to Revenue            | 2.06      |
|                               | <hr/>     |
|                               | \$ 408.27 |

## TREASURER'S TAX TAKING EXPENSES

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation                 | \$ 25.00   |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 1,000.00   |
|                               | <hr/>      |
|                               | \$1,025.00 |
| Payments:                     |            |
| Printing and Postage          | \$ 9.10    |
| Foreclosure of Tax Titles     | 613.84     |
|                               | <hr/>      |
| Total Payments                | \$ 622.94  |



|                    |            |
|--------------------|------------|
| Balance to Revenue | 402.06     |
|                    | <hr/>      |
|                    | \$1,025.00 |

## WELFARE DEPARTMENT

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation                 | \$6,400.00 |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund | 1,377.07   |
|                               | <hr/>      |
|                               | \$7,777.07 |

## Payments:

|           |           |
|-----------|-----------|
| Fuel      | \$ 124.54 |
| Medical   | 2,848.66  |
| Food      | 41.27     |
| Cash Aid  | 4,752.00  |
| All Other | 10.60     |
|           | <hr/>     |

|                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Total Payments | \$7,777.07 |
|                | \$7,777.07 |

## WATER REGISTRAR'S EXPENSES

|                               |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Appropriation                 | \$ 150.00 |
| Payments:                     |           |
| Printing, Postage, Stationery | \$ 133.16 |
| Balance to Revenue            | 16.84     |
|                               | <hr/>     |
|                               | \$ 150.00 |

## WATER DEPARTMENT

|                               |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Appropriation                 | \$14,000.00 |
| Payments:                     |             |
| Expenses                      |             |
| Printing, Postage, Stationery | \$ 12.88    |
| Telephone                     | 187.81      |
| Labor                         | 118.68      |
| Truck Operation               | 449.80      |
|                               | 307.65      |



|                              |                   |
|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Pipe and Fittings            | 3,284.10          |
| Equipment                    | 565.02            |
| Freight and Express          | 42.00             |
| Meters                       | 121.15            |
| Engineer's Wages             | 3,555.00          |
| Repairs to Pumping Station   | 125.70            |
| Supplies for Pumping Station | 231.42            |
| Fuel and Light and Power     | 2,593.64          |
| Outside Labor                | 2,265.90          |
| All Other                    | 132.40            |
| Total Payments               | <hr/> \$13,993.15 |
| Balance to Revenue           | 6.85              |
|                              | <hr/>             |
|                              | \$14,000.00       |

## WATER EXTENSIONS

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Balance from 1953  | \$3,573.23     |
| Appropriation      | 4,700.00       |
|                    | <hr/>          |
|                    | \$8,273.23     |
| Payments:          |                |
| Engineer           | \$ 244.37      |
| Pipe and Fittings  | 5,308.45       |
| Advertising        | 19.50          |
| Labor              | 137.23         |
| Contractor         | 2,257.55       |
| Patch              | 42.82          |
| Outside Labor      | 221.33         |
| Total Payments     | <hr/> 8,231.25 |
| Balance to Revenue | 41.98          |
|                    | <hr/>          |
|                    | \$8,273.23     |



## BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1954

## GENERAL ACCOUNTS

## GENERAL ACCOUNTS

| Assets                        |              | Liabilities and Reserves                          |            |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Cash                          | \$154,893.24 | Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Reserved until collected | \$8,890.23 |
| Cemetery Lots                 | 1,528.20     | Tax Title Revenue                                 | 2,198.93   |
| 100th Anniversary Fund        | 756.96       | Overpayment on Tax Title                          | 686.06     |
| Personal Property Tax 1951    | 25.00        | Water Revenue reserved until collected            | 5,141.62   |
| Poll Tax 1952                 | 2.00         | Sewer Assessment Revenue Reserved until collected | 14,178.77  |
| Poll Tax 1953                 | 2.00         | State and County Aid to Highways                  | 5,305.32   |
| Real Estate Tax 1953          | 9.85         | Overlay 1951                                      | 128.09     |
| Real Estate Tax 1954          | 10,068.37    | Overlay 1952                                      | 2,780.32   |
| Personal Property Tax 1954    | 210.00       | Overlay 1953                                      | 3,153.03   |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1950 | 2.00         | Overlay 1954                                      | 5,423.16   |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1951 | 67.79        | Overlay Surplus                                   | 377.29     |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1952 | 96.49        | Real Estate Tax overpayment                       | 100.00     |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1953 | 711.36       | 100th Anniversary Fund                            | 756.96     |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1954 | 8,012.59     | Smith Hughes Barden Fund                          | 197.00     |
| Tax Titles                    | 2,092.83     | Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund Income               | 548.26     |
| Tax Title Possessions         | 106.10       | Cemetery General Care Income                      | 1,037.99   |
| Water Rates                   | 5,109.33     | Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds                     | 908.69     |
| Water Rates Due from Shortage | 32.29        | Cemetery Burials                                  | 775.00     |
| Sewer Assessments             | 14,121.77    | Cemetery Lot and Grave Sales                      | 595.68     |
| Sewer Assessments             | 57.00        | Road Machinery Fund                               | 2,735.00   |
| State Aid to Highways         | 5,078.90     |                                                   |            |
| County Aid to Highways        | 226.42       |                                                   |            |







### JURY LIST—1954-1955

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|                              |                      |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Barrett, Royden Y., Jr. .... | Paper Worker         |
| Blackett, Arthur B. ....     | Insurance Executive  |
| Brown, Bernard ....          | Farmer               |
| Browne, Merle A. ....        | Retired              |
| Clark, Nesbit, Sr. ....      | Farmer               |
| Crowley, Charles A. ....     | Wholesale Grocer     |
| Cushman, Kenneth ....        | Telephone Worker     |
| Desley, Morris ....          | Caretaker            |
| Dewey, Talbot ....           | Salesman             |
| Gavin, Philip J., Sr. ....   | Retired              |
| Hamm, Frank ....             | Carpenter            |
| Holbrook, Warner H. ....     | Retired              |
| Kline, Walter Abraham ....   | Retired              |
| Mallette, William ....       | Insurance Supervisor |
| McConachie, William R. ....  | Retired              |
| McDonough, Frank L. ....     | Retired              |
| O'Leary, Curtis F. ....      | Machinist            |
| Olson, George E. ....        | Shipping Clerk       |
| Porter, Francis H. ....      | Mill Worker          |
| Porter, William ....         | Adjuster             |
| Rice, Woodworth J., Sr. .... | Retired              |
| Rosen, Manuel H. ....        | Appliance Merchant   |
| Simmons, Joseph M. ....      | Salesman             |
| Simpson, Raymond E. ....     | Retired              |
| Zoldan, Thomas A. ....       | Retired              |



## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO REMODEL THE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING

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At the beginning of 1954 there was \$3,384.27 still unexpended out of the appropriation which was made for remodeling the Town Office Building. Much of this was committed for but no bills had been received at the end of 1953.

In its first year of occupancy, the Town Office Building has served an extremely useful purpose, and the alterations, we believe, were not only necessary but well worthwhile.

There is a small balance of \$153.47 left which will probably be used in 1955 for additional furniture.

STEPHEN PAINE, *Chairman*

HORACE V. BALKAM

MICHAEL E. COLLINS

MORRIS MUSHNICK

HAROLD SIMPSON



## REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of the Town of Millis:

Submitted herewith is the report of the Police Department for  
the year ending December 31, 1954.

| <i>Arrests and Prosecutions</i>              | <i>Male</i> | <i>Female</i> |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Drunkenness                                  | 4           |               |
| Operating under and endangering              | 2           |               |
| Disturbing the peace                         | 1           |               |
| Larceny                                      | 1           |               |
| Unregistered and Uninsured                   | 1           |               |
| Contributing to delinquency of minor         | 1           |               |
| Stubborn child                               |             | 1             |
| Non-Support                                  | 1           |               |
| Illegal Possession of Deer                   | 2           |               |
| <b>OTHER</b>                                 |             |               |
| Suicide                                      | 2           |               |
| Attempted Suicide                            |             | 1             |
| Committed to State Institutions              | 2           |               |
| Processes Served                             | 35          |               |
| Animals Destroyed                            | 1           |               |
| Doors Open at Night                          | 13          |               |
| Breaking and Entering                        | 5           |               |
| Attempted Breaking and Entering              | 1           |               |
| <b>MOTOR VEHICLES</b>                        |             |               |
| Violations Reported to Registry              | 43          |               |
| Accidents Investigated, Property Damage Only | 19          |               |
| Accidents Investigated, Personal Injury      | 9           |               |
| Hit and Run                                  | 1           |               |
| Pedestrian Accident                          | 1           |               |



I wish to thank the members of the Police Department, the Selectmen, various Town Departments, and the Registry of Motor Vehicles for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY J. CASSIDY,  
*Acting Chief of Police*

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## CIVIL DEFENSE REPORT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and the Citizens of Millis:

As we have reported to you previously, a Civil Defense Organization in the Town of Millis has been organized and set up according to Executive Orders.

Major changes are now taking place in the State and County setup, which will affect our community as well as all others in the State.

The Civil Defense Center, as you know, is in the lower part of the railroad station, where we have telephone and radio connection with the proper State and County officials.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER HOAR

RUDOLPH F. KING

*Co-Directors of Civil Defense*



## REPORT OF THE WORLD WAR II SERVICE BOARD COMMITTEE

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Two sets of flags were purchased for the Service Board this year and a paint job was administered which gave the board a very neat appearance. The grounds were kept in excellent condition and new shrubbery was planted which further enhanced its beauty. All this work was performed under the supervision of Joseph Johnson.

|                          |          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation            |          | \$150.00 |
| Payments:                |          |          |
| Flags, Paint and Flowers | \$ 27.36 |          |
| Labor Maintaining Board  | 47.50    |          |
|                          | <hr/>    |          |
| Total Payments           | 74.86    |          |
| Balance to Revenue       | 75.14    |          |
|                          | <hr/>    |          |
|                          |          | \$150.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

ANTHONY BANDO,

*Committee Chairman*

JOSEPH JOHNSON  
GARDNER RICE  
FRANK PORTER  
MERLE BROWNE  
ANTHONY ROSATI

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## REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

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The Committee would like to express its most sincere thanks to all who helped make the parade and ceremony at the cemetery a



successful affair.

We considered ourselves most fortunate in securing Suffolk County Vice-Commander Albert E. Beaton as principal speaker, and the 26th Infantry (Yankee) Division Band, Massachusetts National Guard, together with the Millis Drum and Bugle Corps who lent their wonderful display of color and music to the parade.

We especially thank Mr. Rudolph F. King and his workers who prepared the cemetery for the ceremony.

The appropriation of \$500 was sufficient to carry out the Memorial Day program.

|                              |          |          |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation                |          | \$500.00 |
| Payments:                    |          |          |
| Bands                        | \$342.00 |          |
| Flowers                      | 10.50    |          |
| Flags                        | 47.25    |          |
| Printing                     | 50.00    |          |
| Refreshments                 | 25.64    |          |
| Millis Post No. 208, Expense | 24.61    |          |
|                              | <hr/>    | \$500.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

ANTHONY BANDO,

*Committee Chairman*

PHILIP GAVIN, JR.  
MAYNARD GOULD, JR.  
ANTHONY ROSATI  
RODERICK MacLEOD  
LEONARD LINDAHL  
JOHN BREEN  
EARL MERKLE  
THEODORE ACKROYD  
MERLE BROWNE  
JOHN DOWNING  
EDWIN WAITE



## REPORT ON TOWN INSURANCE

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To the Citizens of Millis:

In compliance with section 8, article 5 of the Town By-laws, I hereby submit my report on the insurance policies in my possession as of December 31, 1954.

| <i>Amount</i> | <i>Property Covered</i>                                       | <i>Company</i>      | <i>Expiration</i> |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| \$27,093.34   | Fire Schedule                                                 | Penn. Fire Ins.     | 1-1-55            |
| 13,546.66     | Fire Schedule                                                 | Fidelity-Phenix     | 1-1-55            |
| 13,546.66     | Fire Schedule                                                 | Penn. Fire Ins.     | 1-1-55            |
| 27,093.34     | Fire Schedule                                                 | U. S. Fire          | 1-1-55            |
| 27,093.34     | Fire Schedule                                                 | Penn. Fire Ins.     | 1-1-56            |
| 13,546.66     | Fire Schedule                                                 | Fidelity-Phenix     | 1-1-56            |
| 13,546.66     | Fire Schedule                                                 | Penn. Fire Ins.     | 1-1-56            |
| 27,093.34     | Fire Schedule                                                 | U. S. Fire          | 1-1-56            |
| 27,093.34     | Fire Schedule                                                 | Penn. Fire Ins.     | 1-1-57            |
| 13,546.66     | Fire Schedule                                                 | Fidelity-Phenix     | 1-1-57            |
| 13,546.66     | Fire Schedule                                                 | Penn. Fire Ins.     | 1-1-57            |
| 27,093.34     | Fire Schedule                                                 | Springfield Fire    | 1-1-57            |
| 27,093.34     | Fire Schedule                                                 | Penn. Fire Ins.     | 1-1-58            |
| 13,546.66     | Fire Schedule                                                 | Fidelity-Phenix     | 1-1-58            |
| 13,546.66     | Fire Schedule                                                 | Penn. Fire Ins.     | 1-1-58            |
| 27,093.34     | Fire Schedule                                                 | U. S. Fire          | 1-1-58            |
| 27,093.34     | Fire Schedule                                                 | Penn. Fire Ins.     | 1-1-59            |
| 27,093.33     | Fire Schedule                                                 | U. S. Fire          | 1-1-59            |
| 27,093.33     | Fire Schedule                                                 | Norfolk & Dedham    | 1-1-59            |
| 10,000.00     | Equip. in Sewer Pump House                                    | Hartford Ins. Co.   | 3-10-55           |
| 5/10 limits   | Comp. General Liability                                       | London Guarantee    | 1-1-55            |
| ACV           | Fire, theft and coll. on police car, school buses and tractor | Penn. Fire Ins.     | 1-1-55            |
| ACV           | Fire, theft and coll. of high-way trucks                      | Aetna Casualty      | 1-1-55            |
| 15/75 limits  | Liability on school buses                                     | London Guarantee    | 1-1-55            |
| 15/30 limits  | Liability on police car                                       | London Guarantee    | 1-1-55            |
| 15/30 limits  | Liability on water truck                                      | Lumbermen's         | 1-1-55            |
|               | Workmen's Compensation                                        | London Guarantee    | 1-1-55            |
| \$15,585.00   | Fire and theft on fire trucks                                 | Penn. Fire Ins.     | 1-1-55            |
| 15/30 limits  | Liability on highway trucks                                   | Aetna Casualty      | 1-1-55            |
| 15/30 limits  | Liability on tractor                                          | London Guarantee    | 1-1-55            |
|               | School sports medical policy                                  | American Casualty   | 1-3-55            |
| 15/30 limits  | Liability on fire trucks                                      | Century Indemnity   | 1-1-55            |
|               | Fire Dept. Acc. (employees)                                   | Commercial Casualty | 3-10-55           |
| \$ 3,000.00   | Holdup—Clerk, Water Coll., Tax Coll. and Treasurer            |                     |                   |
| \$10,000.00   | High School and Elementary School Boilers                     | Century Indemnity   | 1-1-55            |
|               |                                                               | London Guarantee    | 9-15-57           |



|              |                               |                  |         |
|--------------|-------------------------------|------------------|---------|
| ACV          | Fire, theft and collision on  | Norfolk & Dedham | 5-14-55 |
|              | water truck                   |                  |         |
| \$10,000.00  | Fire Ins. on furniture and    | Penn. Fire Ins.  | 1-1-55  |
|              | fixtures in Elementary School |                  |         |
| \$150,000.00 | Fire Ins. on Elem. School     | Travelers        | 1-1-55  |
| 60,000.00    | Fire Ins. on Elem. School     | Boston Ins. Co.  | 1-1-55  |
| 50,000.00    | Fire Ins. on Elem. School     | Dorchester Fire  | 1-1-55  |

Respectfully submitted,

LEONARD W. LINDAHL,

*Town Treasurer*

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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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At a special meeting on February 11, 1954, the Board organized with Mr. Morris Mushnick, Chairman, and Mr. Horace Balkam, Clerk.

Regular meetings were held the first and third Thursdays of each month, plus 25 special meetings.

### Streets and Highways

All roads that needed surface treatment were given a coat of asphalt covered with either sand or stone.

Prospect Street was widened and graveled and a hard surface applied. This work was accomplished by obtaining permission from Mr. Francis Gray and Dr. Hopper to move stone walls back onto their property, where necessary, to widen the road.

At this time the Board would like, through this medium, to thank Dr. Hopper and Mr. Francis Gray, the abutting owners of the



property on Prospect Street, for letting the Town have enough land to widen Prospect Street.

Bridge Street from Main Street to Dover Road was excavated and graveled. This road will shorten the route for both the school bus and R.F.D.

A section of Main Street from Railroad crossing to the Braman Machine Shop was graded and a hot top surface applied. We feel that the work done on this piece of Main Street will help prevent a lot of highway accidents, due to the fact that the road in that particular spot was crowned too high.

A mixed-in-place surface was applied to a section of both Plain and Village Streets.

A sidewalk on Main Street was built from Union Street to Dover Road from funds appropriated.

In order to have a complete sidewalk from Thorne's Corner to Dover Road, funds were taken from the Highway Department to complete an unfinished section of about 400 feet to Union Street.

There are about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles of roads left without a hard surface. We feel that in the very near future these roads will be tarred and put in good shape.

A spruce tree, donated by Reverend John Parsons, was planted on the grounds of the Town Office, to replace a tree destroyed by the hurricane. We, at this time, would like to thank Father Parsons, Pastor of Saint Thomas Church, for the tree given to the Town and which we hope will be a landmark for many years to come.

The Board feels that Farm Street should be relocated. The street is on the school bus route and should be widened where necessary.

### **Licenses and Permits Issued**

- 2 Antique and Second Hand
- 1 Bakery
- 1 Bowling



- 1 Bottling
- 12 Common Victualer
- 1 Common Victualer—All Alcoholic
- 2 Firearms
- 1 Funeral
- 3 Hawkers' and Peddler's License
- 3 Inn Holders
- 2 Junk
- 13 Outing
- 2 Poultry Slaughter
- 2 Retail Package Goods Store
- 4 Second Hand Auto Licenses
- 1 Slaughter
- 9 Sunday
- 1 Tavern
- 1 Taxi
- 1 Vegetable Stand
- 79 Wiring Permits

At this time we would like to thank the committee that has been appointed to investigate the Fire and Police Alarm System which will be compulsory after March 15, 1955:

John J. Ward, Stephen Paine, Thomas Lydon, Harold  
Whiting, Arthur Carter

Also, we would like to thank Mr. William Cunningham, the Superintendent of Streets, for his cooperation and the time that he spent driving the Board of Selectmen on inspection trips around town.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank all the various Departments, Mr. Lawrence J. Reardon, Town Accountant, and all Citizens



of Millis for the excellent cooperation and efforts given us this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

MORRIS MUSHNICK  
HORACE V. BALKAM  
MICHAEL E. COLLINS

*Board of Selectmen*

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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Citizens of Millis:

We have had several complaints on sewerage conditions and excavations that have been made on private property. These complaints we have investigated with the assistance of the State Board of Health and we feel that they have been corrected.

We have had several complaints in reference to garbage disposal but we feel that condition has been rectified.

We have two cases in state hospitals at the present time which involve in the vicinity of \$2,000 annually.

Following are contagious diseases reported to us by doctors:

- 1 Aseptic Meningitis
- 10 Chicken-pox
- 21 Measles
- 1 Whooping Cough

Respectfully submitted,

MORRIS MUSHNICK  
HORACE V. BALKAM  
MICHAEL E. COLLINS



**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**  
**DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS AND TAXATION**

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**BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS**  
**Report of an Audit**  
**of**  
**THE TAX COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNTS**  
**of**  
**The Town of Millis**

**FOR THE PERIOD FROM**  
**SEPTEMBER 29, 1953 to FEBRUARY 27, 1954**

Made in Accordance with the Provisions of  
Chapter 44, General Laws

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**March 12, 1954**

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**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Department of Corporations and Taxation  
Division of Accounts  
State House, Boston 33

**WILLIAM A. SCHAN,**  
*Commissioner*

**HERMAN B. DINE**  
*Director of Accounts*







March 12, 1954

To the Board of Selectmen

Mr. Morris Mushnick, Chairman

Millis, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the tax collector of the town of Millis for the period from September 29, 1953 to February 27, 1954, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. William Schwartz, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

HERMAN B. DINE,

*Director of Accounts*

HBD:ED

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Mr. Herman B. Dine

Director of Accounts

Department of Corporations and Taxation

State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the tax collector of the town of Millis for the period from September 29, 1953, the date of the previous examination, to February 27, 1954, preparatory to a recommitment to the newly elected tax collector, and report thereon as follows:



The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked in detail. The tax, excise, and assessment accounts outstanding at the time of the previous examination, as well as all subsequent commitment lists, were audited and proved. The cash books were added, the payments to the treasurer were compared with the treasurer's books, the abatements were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the transfers to the tax title account were checked with the treasurer's records, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the town accountant's ledger accounts.

The cash on hand on February 27, 1954 was proved by actual count of the cash in the office and by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement received from the bank of deposit.

Verification of the outstanding accounts was made by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The total amounts outstanding on February 27, 1954 on each of the several levies were given to the board of assessors for use in preparing the recommitment warrants, and detailed lists of the outstanding accounts were prepared and given to the newly elected tax collector for his use.

The surety bond filed by the newly elected tax collector for the faithful performance of his duties was examined and found to be in proper form.

Appended to this report is a schedule showing a reconciliation of the collector's cash, as well as summaries of the tax, motor vehicle and trailer excise, and assessment accounts.

For the cooperation received from the several town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ,

*Assistant Director of Accounts*



**RECONCILIATION OF COLLECTOR'S CASH****Norfolk County Trust Company**

|                                                    |            |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance February 27, 1954, per bank certification, | \$9,784.63 |
| Outstanding checks February 27, 1954, per list,    | \$9,784.63 |

**Petty Cash Advance**

|                                             |         |
|---------------------------------------------|---------|
| Petty cash advance February 27, 1954,       | \$35.00 |
| Cash in office February 27, 1954, verified, | \$35.00 |

**REAL ESTATE TAXES—1949**

|                                               |        |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,               | \$1.00 |
| Abatements September 29 to December 31, 1953, | \$1.00 |

**REAL ESTATE TAXES—1950**

|                                               |        |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,               | \$5.00 |
| Abatements September 29 to December 31, 1953, | \$5.00 |

**POLL TAXES—1951**

|                                                                                                               |        |        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                                                                               |        | \$8.00 |
| Abatements September 29 to December 31, 1953,                                                                 | \$4.00 |        |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953 and February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | 4.00   |        |
|                                                                                                               | <hr/>  | \$8.00 |

**PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES—1951**

|                                                                                                               |         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                                                                               | \$25.00 |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953 and February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | \$25.00 |

**REAL ESTATE TAXES—1951**

|                                                                                                               |        |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                                                                               |        | \$105.34 |
| Abatements September 29 to December 31, 1953,                                                                 | \$6.25 |          |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953 and February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | 99.09  |          |
|                                                                                                               | <hr/>  | \$105.34 |



**POLL TAXES—1952**

|                                                                                         |         |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                                                         |         | \$54.00 |
| Abatements September 29 to December 31, 1953,                                           | \$14.00 |         |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953,                                                          | 40.00   |         |
|                                                                                         | <hr/>   | \$54.00 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1954,                                                            |         | \$40.00 |
| Payments to treasurer January 1 to February 27, 1954,                                   | \$24.00 |         |
| Outstanding February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | 16.00   |         |
|                                                                                         | <hr/>   | \$40.00 |

**PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES—1952**

|                                                                                         |         |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                                                         |         | \$577.50 |
| Payments to treasurer September 29 to December 31, 1953,                                | \$97.50 |          |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953,                                                          | 480.00  |          |
|                                                                                         | <hr/>   | \$577.50 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1954,                                                            |         | \$480.00 |
| Payments to treasurer January 1 to February 27, 1954,                                   | \$5.00  |          |
| Outstanding February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | 475.00  |          |
|                                                                                         | <hr/>   | \$480.00 |

**REAL ESTATE TAXES—1952**

|                                                                                         |            |            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                                                         |            | \$2,186.07 |
| Payments to treasurer September 29 to December 31, 1953,                                | \$1,084.22 |            |
| Abatements September 29 to December 31, 1953,                                           | 6.25       |            |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953,                                                          | 1,095.60   |            |
|                                                                                         | <hr/>      | \$2,186.07 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1954,                                                            |            | \$1,095.60 |
| Payments to treasurer January 1 to February 27, 1954,                                   | \$604.06   |            |
| Outstanding February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | 491.54     |            |
|                                                                                         | <hr/>      | \$1,095.60 |



**POLL TAXES—1953**

|                                                                                         |         |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                                                         |         | \$476.00 |
| Payments to treasurer September 29 to December 31, 1953,                                | \$92.00 |          |
| Abatements September 29 to December 31, 1953,                                           | 348.00  |          |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953,                                                          | 36.00   |          |
|                                                                                         |         | <hr/>    |
|                                                                                         |         | \$476.00 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1954,                                                            |         | \$36.00  |
| Payments to treasurer January 1 to February 27, 1954,                                   | \$16.00 |          |
| Outstanding February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | 20.00   |          |
|                                                                                         |         | <hr/>    |
|                                                                                         |         | \$36.00  |

**PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES—1953**

|                                                                                         |            |            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                                                         |            | \$8,897.00 |
| Payments to treasurer September 29 to December 31, 1953,                                | \$4,352.50 |            |
| Abatements September 29 to December 31, 1953,                                           | 2,877.25   |            |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953,                                                          | 1,667.25   |            |
|                                                                                         |            | <hr/>      |
|                                                                                         |            | \$8,897.00 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1954,                                                            | \$1,667.25 |            |
| Abatements reported in excess,                                                          | 30.00      |            |
| Payments and abatements to be refunded,                                                 | 25.00      |            |
|                                                                                         |            | <hr/>      |
|                                                                                         |            | \$1,722.25 |
| Payments to treasurer January 1 to February 27, 1954,                                   | \$1,602.25 |            |
| Outstanding February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | 120.00     |            |
|                                                                                         |            | <hr/>      |
|                                                                                         |            | \$1,722.25 |

**REAL ESTATE TAXES—1953**

|                                                          |              |              |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                          | \$136,850.50 |              |
| Refunds September 29 to December 31, 1953,               | 984.27       |              |
|                                                          |              | <hr/>        |
|                                                          |              | \$137,834.77 |
| Payments to treasurer September 29 to December 31, 1953, | \$121,748.35 |              |
| Abatements September 29 to December 31, 1953,            | 5,627.50     |              |



|                                                                                         |             |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Transfers to tax titles September 29 to December 31, 1953,                              | 195.00      |              |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953,                                                          | 10,263.92   |              |
|                                                                                         |             | <hr/>        |
|                                                                                         |             | \$137,834.77 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1954,                                                            | \$10,263.92 |              |
| Commitment not previously reported,                                                     | 320.00      |              |
| Interest reported as real estate taxes 1953,                                            | 3.25        |              |
| Collector's overpayment to treasurer—adjusted,                                          | .01         |              |
|                                                                                         |             | <hr/>        |
|                                                                                         |             | \$10,587.18  |
| Payments to treasurer January 1 to February 27, 1954,                                   | \$4,662.93  |              |
| Abatements not previously reported,                                                     | 100.00      |              |
| Outstanding February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | 5,824.25    |              |
|                                                                                         |             | <hr/>        |
|                                                                                         |             | \$10,587.18  |

#### MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE—1950

|                                                                                                               |         |         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                                                                               |         | \$41.47 |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953 and February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | \$41.37 |         |
| Cash balance February 27, 1954,                                                                               | .10     |         |
|                                                                                                               |         | <hr/>   |
|                                                                                                               |         | \$41.47 |

#### MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE—1951

|                                                                                         |          |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                                                         |          | \$763.44 |
| Payments to treasurer September 29 to December 31, 1953,                                | \$155.84 |          |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953,                                                          | 607.60   |          |
|                                                                                         |          | <hr/>    |
|                                                                                         |          | \$763.44 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1954,                                                            |          | \$607.60 |
| Payments to treasurer January 1 to February 27, 1954,                                   | \$32.00  |          |
| Abatements January 1 to February 27, 1954,                                              | 75.00    |          |
| Outstanding February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | 500.60   |          |
|                                                                                         |          | <hr/>    |
|                                                                                         |          | \$607.60 |



**MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE—1952**

|                                                                                         |            |            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                                                         |            | \$2,188.95 |
| Payments to treasurer September 29 to December 31, 1953,                                | \$976.04   |            |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953,                                                          | 1,212.91   |            |
|                                                                                         | <hr/>      | \$2,188.95 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1954,                                                            | \$1,212.91 |            |
| Payments and abatements to be refunded,                                                 | 2.01       |            |
|                                                                                         | <hr/>      | \$1,214.92 |
| Payments to treasurer January 1 to February 27, 1954,                                   | \$217.45   |            |
| Outstanding February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | 997.47     |            |
|                                                                                         | <hr/>      | \$1,214.92 |

**MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE—1953**

|                                                          |            |             |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                          | \$5,750.34 |             |
| Commitment September 29 to December 31, 1953,            | 11,839.34  |             |
| Refunds September 29 to December 31, 1953,               | 471.72     |             |
|                                                          | <hr/>      | \$18,061.40 |
| Payments to treasurer September 29 to December 31, 1953, | \$9,098.40 |             |
| Abatements September 29 to December 31, 1953,            | 276.94     |             |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953,                           | 8,686.06   |             |
|                                                          | <hr/>      | \$18,061.40 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1954,                             | \$8,686.06 |             |
| Commitment not previously reported,                      | 1,670.15   |             |
| Payments and abatements January 1 to February 27, 1954:  |            |             |
| Refunded,                                                | \$278.10   |             |
| To be refunded,                                          | 108.08     |             |
|                                                          | <hr/>      | 386.18      |
|                                                          | <hr/>      | \$10,742.39 |
| Payments to treasurer January 1 to February 27, 1954,    | \$4,071.70 |             |
| Abatements January 1 to February 27, 1954,               | 1,346.82   |             |
| Abatements short reported,                               | 1.00       |             |



|                                                                                         |          |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Outstanding February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | 5,322.87 |             |
|                                                                                         |          | \$10,742.39 |

### UNAPPORTIONED SEWER ASSESSMENTS

|                                                                                         |            |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                                                         |            | \$14,263.46 |
| Payments to treasurer September 29 to December 31, 1953,                                | \$1,118.10 |             |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953,                                                          | 13,145.36  |             |
|                                                                                         |            | \$14,263.46 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1954,                                                            |            | \$13,145.36 |
| Payments to treasurer January 1 to February 27, 1954,                                   | \$55.00    |             |
| Outstanding February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | 13,090.36  |             |
|                                                                                         |            | \$13,145.36 |

### SEWER ASSESSMENTS—1951

|                                                                                                               |         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Outstanding September 29, 1953,                                                                               | \$57.00 |
| Outstanding December 31, 1953 and February 27, 1954, per list, to be recommitted to Harry S. Hart, Collector, | \$57.00 |

### INTEREST ON TAXES

|                                                          |         |         |
|----------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Cash balance September 29, 1953,                         | \$23.45 |         |
| Collections September 29 to December 31, 1953:           |         |         |
| Taxes:                                                   |         |         |
| Levy of 1952,                                            | \$2.31  |         |
| Levy of 1953,                                            | .16     |         |
| Motor vehicle and trailer excise:                        |         |         |
| Levy of 1951,                                            | 10.93   |         |
| Levy of 1952,                                            | 14.99   |         |
|                                                          |         | 28.39   |
|                                                          |         | \$51.84 |
| Payments to treasurer September 29 to December 31, 1953, |         | \$51.84 |
| Collections January 1 to February 27, 1954:              |         |         |
| Taxes:                                                   |         |         |
| Levy of 1952,                                            | \$13.67 |         |
| Levy of 1953,                                            | 27.37   |         |



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|-------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Motor vehicle and trailer excise:               |         |         |
| Levy of 1952,                                   | .70     |         |
|                                                 | <hr/>   | \$41.74 |
| Payments to treasurer January 1 to February 27, |         |         |
| 1954,                                           | \$38.49 |         |
| Interest reported as real estate taxes 1953,    | 3.25    |         |
|                                                 | <hr/>   | \$41.74 |







*Annual Report*

*of the*

School Committee

*and*

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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Town of Millis

*for the*

FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1954







## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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|                                         |                   |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Frederick J. Welch, Chairman            | Term Expires 1955 |
| Residence, Exchange Street              |                   |
| Priscilla B. Dewey, Recording Secretary | Term Expires 1957 |
| Residence, Orchard Street               |                   |
| Earl H. Merkle, Financial Secretary     | Term Expires 1957 |
| Residence, Plain Street                 |                   |
| Stuart M. King                          | Term Expires 1956 |
| Residence, Spring Street                |                   |
| Robert W. McDonough                     | Term Expires 1955 |
| Residence, Main Street                  |                   |

Regular meeting held second Wednesday of each month  
at 7:30 P.M. in the High School Building

### Superintendent of Schools

GEORGE C. ROY

|                                    |                    |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Residence, Exchange Street, Millis | Tel. Millis 316-21 |
| Office, Millis Consolidated School | Tel. Millis 142    |

### Secretary of the School Department

DOROTHY THUMITH

|                            |                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Office, Millis High School | Tel. Millis 142 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|

### High School Principal

CLYDE F. BROWN

### Assistant High School Principal

HENRY M. DOYLE

### Elementary Principal

THOMAS G. JACKSON

### School Physician

JACOB ZALVAN, M.D.



**School Nurse**

MYRTLE COLDWELL, R.N.

**Custodians and Attendance Officers**

ARTHUR WATSON

JOSEPH JOHNSON

JAMES TABARANI

**SCHOOL CENSUS****October 1, 1954****Registration**

|        | <i>5-6 Years</i> | <i>7-16 Years</i> | <i>Over 16</i> | <i>Totals</i> |
|--------|------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Boys   | 81               | 203               | 22             | 306           |
| Girls  | 76               | 211               | 22             | 309           |
| Totals | 157              | 414               | 44             | 615           |

**Distribution**

|                       |     |     |    |     |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|----|-----|
| In Public Schools     | 155 | 388 | 40 | 583 |
| In Private Schools    | 2   | 15  | 3  | 20  |
| In Vocational Schools |     | 4   | 1  | 5   |
| In Other Schools      |     | 5   |    | 5   |
| In Special Schools    |     | 2   |    | 2   |
| Totals                | 157 | 414 | 44 | 615 |



**SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1954 - 1955****High School — 39 Weeks**

|                          |                   |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Fall Term began          | September 8, 1954 |
| Closed                   | December 23, 1954 |
| Winter Term began        | January 3, 1955   |
| Closes                   | February 18, 1955 |
| Early Spring Term begins | February 28, 1955 |
| Closes                   | April 15, 1955    |
| Late Spring Term begins  | April 25, 1955    |
| Closes                   | June 17, 1955     |

or when 180 days are completed

**Elementary School — 38 Weeks**

The same as for the High School except that Late Spring Term closes approximately two weeks earlier.

**Daily Sessions**

|                              |                           |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Kindergarten—Morning Session | 8:45 - 11:30              |
| Afternoon Session            | 12:30 - 2:30              |
| Grades One through Three     | 8:45 - 12:15— 1:00 - 2:30 |
| Grades Four through Six      | 8:45 - 11:50—12:35 - 2:30 |
| Grades Seven and Eight       | 8:25 - 11:05—11:25 - 2:00 |
| Grades Nine through Twelve   | 8:25 - 11:25—11:55 - 2:00 |

**Holidays**

|                    |                      |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| October 12         | Columbus Day         |
| October 29         | Teachers' Convention |
| November 11        | Armistice Day        |
| November 25 and 26 | Thanksgiving Recess  |
| April 8            | Good Friday          |
| May 30             | Memorial Day         |

**Storm Signals**

22 at 7:15 A.M. Also listen for radio announcements over WBZ and WKOX at 7:00 A.M.



## 1954 — SCHOOL PERSONNEL — 1955

| School   | Assignment                         | Name                 | No.<br>yrs.<br>exp. | Began<br>service<br>in<br>Millis | Education                                                                                                      |
|----------|------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|          | Superintendent                     | George C. Roy        | 19                  | Sept. 1949                       | B.A., Providence College<br>M.Ed., Boston University<br>C.A.G.S., Boston University<br>B.S., University of Vt. |
| High     | Principal                          | Clyde F. Brown       | 33                  | Sept. 1924                       |                                                                                                                |
| High     | Assistant Principal                |                      |                     |                                  |                                                                                                                |
|          | Social Studies                     | Henry M. Doyle       | 7                   | Sept. 1948                       | B.A., Clark University                                                                                         |
| High     | Languages                          | Helen M. Fiola       | 8                   | Sept. 1947                       | B.A., Emmanuel College                                                                                         |
| High     | Commercial                         | Jean A. Johnson      | 1                   | Sept. 1954                       | B.A., Salem State Teachers College                                                                             |
| High     | Commercial                         | Victoria J. Sullivan | 5                   | Sept. 1954                       | B.S. Ed., Boston Teachers College<br>M.Ed., Boston Teachers College                                            |
| High     | English                            | Norma E. Stapleton   | 2                   | Sept. 1953                       | B.A., Emmanuel College<br>M.Ed., Boston College                                                                |
| High     | History, Coach                     | Daniel J. Bennett    | 1                   | Sept. 1954                       | B.S., Tufts College                                                                                            |
| High     | History, Science                   | Nancy A. Boggs       | 1                   | Sept. 1954                       | B.A., Trinity College<br>M.Ed., Boston College                                                                 |
| Jr. High | Phys. Ed., Science,<br>Asst. Coach | Edward P. Tamulevitz | 3                   | Sept. 1952                       | B.S. Ed., Boston University                                                                                    |
| Jr. High | English, Geography                 | Nancy M. Nolan       | 8                   | Sept. 1947                       | B.A., Emmanuel College                                                                                         |
| Jr. High | Math., Biology                     | Eleanor E. Kenney    | 8                   | Sept. 1947                       | B.S., Simmons College                                                                                          |
| High,    |                                    |                      |                     |                                  |                                                                                                                |
| Elem.    | Physical Education                 | Joan B. McKinstry    | 4                   | Sept. 1951                       | B.S., Sargent College                                                                                          |
| Elem.    | Principal                          | Thomas G. Jackson    | 4                   | Sept. 1954                       | B.A., Boston College<br>M.Ed., Boston University                                                               |



|       |                     |                      |    |            |                                       |
|-------|---------------------|----------------------|----|------------|---------------------------------------|
| Elem. | Assistant Principal | Natalene J. Tavalone | 2  | Sept. 1954 | B.S., Boston College                  |
|       | Grade 6             | Rose L. M. Blom      | 25 | Sept. 1941 | B.A., Boston University               |
| Elem. | Grade 6             | Maureen A. Malone    | 1  | Sept. 1954 | B.A., Trinity College                 |
| Elem. | Grade 5             | Doris M. Levy        | 1  | Sept. 1954 | B.S., Salem Teachers College          |
| Elem. | Grade 4             | Pauline A. Madden    | 2  | Sept. 1953 | B.A., Sacred Heart College            |
| Elem. | Grade 4             | Katherine H. Conroy  | 13 | Sept. 1944 | Salem Teachers College                |
| Elem. | Grade 3             | Ellen R. Horan       | 35 | Sept. 1920 | Chandler School                       |
| Elem. | Grade 3             | Sibyl A. Enegren     | 22 | Nov. 1938  | B.A., Wheaton College                 |
| Elem. | Grade 2             | Helen A. Brennan     | 29 | Jan. 1926  | Worcester & Framingham State Teachers |
| Elem. | Grade 2             | Mary E. Rogers       | 10 | Dec. 1950  | Lowell Teachers College               |
| Elem. | Grade 1             | Janet F. Eastman     | 1  | Jan. 1954  | B.S. Ed., Framingham Teachers College |
| Elem. | Grade 1             | Mildred A. Kingsbury | 13 | Sept. 1947 | Framingham State Teachers College     |
| Elem. | Kindergarten        |                      |    |            |                                       |

## SPECIAL TEACHERS

|                              |                     |   |            |                                                                                    |
|------------------------------|---------------------|---|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Household Arts,<br>Cafeteria | H. Jeanne Curriivan | 4 | Sept. 1951 | B.A., Regis College                                                                |
| Music                        | Elinore E. Cole     |   | Sept. 1954 |                                                                                    |
| Industrial Arts              | Richard A. Young    | 6 | Sept. 1949 | Wentworth Institute<br>Fitchburg State Teachers College<br>Northeastern University |



**HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

|        |                       |            |                               |
|--------|-----------------------|------------|-------------------------------|
| Nurse  | Myrtle A. Coldwell    | Sept. 1942 | R.N., Mass. Memorial Hospital |
| Doctor | Jacob J. Zalvan, M.D. |            |                               |

**SCHOOL CLERK**

|       |                 |           |                           |
|-------|-----------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| Clerk | Dorothy Thumith | Nov. 1947 | Pierce Secretarial School |
|-------|-----------------|-----------|---------------------------|

**CUSTODIANS AND ATTENDANCE OFFICERS**

Joseph Johnson  
 Arthur Watson  
 James Tabarani



## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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To the Citizens of Millis:

We present herewith our report of the Millis Consolidated Schools for the year 1954.

The past year has been marked by numerous innovations in both the physical and functional aspects of the school. Most obvious, of course, is the completion of the New Elementary School, the occupation of which has relieved crowded conditions in the High School, and established in Millis two separate school units.

At the Town Meeting on Monday, February 15 a special appropriation was approved for replacing the Auditorium floor. This job was completed most satisfactorily during the summer vacation. The new floor is marked for basketball and badminton, and was ready for use when school opened in September. A new backdrop was purchased and installed on the stage. During the summer all broken windows were repaired and several sections of the school's interior were painted. Sixty-five new movable type desk and chair units were purchased.

The Summer Recreation Program once more attracted an ever increasing number of children. Swimming instruction was offered for two weeks, and 140 children took part in this program at Dug Pond in Natick. Eighty enrolled in the three-week playground program. Both activities were ably supervised by trained personnel.

Evening courses in Tray Painting and Sewing were offered to the residents of Millis and met with great enthusiasm. So many enrolled in these groups that it was necessary to divide both groups into two classes each.

We feel very proud of the excellent record our Cafeteria has maintained. Once again it is operating substantially in the black, and through the careful planning and superior management of its personnel, is outstanding as one of the self-sustaining Cafeterias in the State.



We have taken advantage of a new Audio-Visual Program in conjunction with several other towns in this area. Our department has access to a much more extensive choice of films which are interchanged among the schools participating in the program.

The Driver-Training Program has again been made possible through the generosity of Mr. Fred Browne of Walpole, who contributes the car which we share with Medfield. Twenty-nine students are now participating in this activity which plays such an integral part in promoting safe driving among the young people today.

The Committee has given extensive time and thought to the problem of salary adjustments in order to bring our schedule to a level where we can keep the excellent faculty we now have, and attract the highest calibre teachers in the future. Last year, one-third of our teaching personnel resigned, and with such a large turnover, teaching efficiency and continuity are necessarily threatened. Therefore, we found it necessary to increase our salaries to effectively compete with neighboring schools of corresponding size. The new salary schedule we have adopted will become effective in September of 1955.

All the members of the Committee have attended several Area Meetings, educational conferences and lectures which have been of great interest, and of benefit in educating us to statewide school activities, problems, and improvements.

Increased school enrollment and crowded bus conditions have made it necessary to set up new transportation routes. The administrators along with Mr. Arthur Watson and Mr. Joseph Johnson studied the routes and distances in great detail, and with the Committee worked out a definite schedule which we feel is impartial and satisfactory to all.

Your School Committee feels that the time has come to recommend the establishment of a Committee to investigate the possibility of acquiring more land for future school building purposes. As our school continues to grow, it becomes more and more evident that such a Committee should be ready with positive recommendations if



and when additional land is needed for school building purposes. Therefore, we go on record as recommending that such a Committee be established.

We wish to extend sincere thanks to Millis Post 208, American Legion, and to the Parent-Teacher Association for making available scholarship awards.

We ask that you give some attention to the various reports by the school administrators and faculty members which will go into far more detail than is contained in this writing.

We wish to extend sincere thanks to the school administration, faculty members, service personnel, Parent-Teacher Association, parents, and citizens of the Town of Millis, and all others who have contributed toward making this a year of progress and success.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK J. WELCH, *Chairman*

PRISCILLA B. DEWEY, *Secretary*

EARL H. MERKLE, *Fin. Secretary*

STUART M. KING, *Member*

ROBERT W. McDONOUGH, *Member*



# FINANCIAL REPORT

## MILLIS SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

December 31, 1954

| Item                                              | Amount<br>Expended |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Salaries—High School                              | \$43,665.02        |
| Elementary                                        | 45,768.05          |
| Expenses of Principals, Supervisors and Teachers: |                    |
| High School                                       | 415.54             |
| Elementary                                        | 133.42             |
| Textbooks—High School                             | 1,057.05           |
| Elementary                                        | 833.18             |
| Supplies—High School                              | 2,286.35           |
| Elementary                                        | 1,885.41           |
| Janitors Service—High School                      | 3,873.23           |
| Elementary                                        | 4,057.33           |
| Fuel—Coal                                         | 1,243.50           |
| Oil                                               | 620.20             |
| Light                                             | 2,039.07           |
| Janitors Supplies                                 | 873.28             |
| Repairs                                           | 1,330.26           |
| Health                                            | 1,857.57           |
| Transportation                                    | 1,267.80           |
| Physical Education                                | 2,065.11           |
| Committee Expenses                                | 193.42             |
| Superintendent's Expenses                         | 5,411.93           |
| New Equipment                                     | 3,072.56           |
| Maintenance New Elementary Building               | 459.37             |
|                                                   | <hr/>              |
|                                                   | \$124,408.65       |



**REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

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To the School Committee and Citizens of Millis:

Herewith I submit my sixth annual report as Superintendent of Schools. It is the sixty-third in a series of school reports and in it are incorporated the reports of the principals, supervisors, department heads, and coaches.

Referring to the school population as of October 1, 1953, we had in the Kindergarten through Grade 6—351 pupils; at the Junior High School level, Grades 7 and 8—74 pupils; and in the High School, Grades 9 through 12—109 pupils, making a total of 534 pupils. A year later on October 1, 1954, we had enrolled in the Kindergarten through Grade 6—389 pupils, an increase of 38 pupils; at the Junior High School level—81 pupils, an increase of 7; and at the High School level—113 pupils, an increase of 4, making a total increase of 49. The increase was particularly noted at the first grade level. It would appear that new families moving into the community during the summer had sons and daughters of first grade age. As of December 1, 1954 the total enrollment was 594, and it would seem that early in 1955 the number would exceed 600 and continue upward. All of us are aware of the building development in the community, and we should keep in mind that, along with it, will be noted a continued increase in school population.

Up until Monday, December 20, 1954 the entire school unit was housed under one roof. Briefly, the Elementary Division used the school library for two classrooms and in another section it was necessary to divide the elementary classroom into two areas. On the side where the Junior-Senior High School classes were held it was necessary to use the Cafeteria for a study hall; at times to hold classes in the Women Teachers' Room; and to use a room designed for Household Arts as a Study Hall. At present it is the plan to have the Junior High School classes located in the front of the building on the first floor and the High School rooms would be located in the rear of the building and on the second floor. Under the present plan the former library would be prepared for its original purpose. We shall be able to develop our Physical Education Program more fully, and we will be able to look forward to long-range development of our Chemistry laboratory.



No doubt the details of the new elementary school will be mentioned in another section of this Town Report so that I shall not go into substantial detail. Briefly, the new unit will house the Kindergarten, twelve classrooms, a Principal's Office, Health Room, Teachers' Lounge, Supply Room, Custodian's Quarters, Boiler, and Cafeteria. Pupils and teachers were thrilled with their new surroundings. The Town of Millis should indeed be proud of this new school building which is functional and which has all the advantages of modern elementary education.

### Changes in Personnel

During 1953 we had the following resignations: Mrs. Kay Olson and Mrs. Eileen O'Keeffe who resigned to be at home; Mrs. Mary Barrett, Mrs. Dorothy Magraw, Mrs. Rose Randlett, James Parsons, James Pettengill, Miss Eleanor Hannigan, Miss Charlotte Roberts, and Mrs. Dorothy Wallace resigned to accept similar positions in other communities. Additions to the faculty include the following: Mrs. Janet Eastman, Miss Maureen Malone, Mrs. Doris Levy, Miss Nancy Boggs, Miss Jean Johnson, Mrs. Victoria Sullivan, Daniel Bennett, Miss Elinore Cole, Thomas Jackson, Natalene Tavalone, and Sigurd Frosell. All of the above with the exception of a position at the first grade level due to an overload and a position at the Junior-Senior High School level due to an increase in enrollment were replacements. Details as to their particular assignment and experience may be found in the school personnel chart.

With the operation of two schools instead of one, a third custodian, James Tabarani, was elected to work full time, devoting part time to the Elementary where Arthur Watson is head custodian, and part time to the Junior Senior High School Building where Joseph Johnson serves as head custodian. With the opening of the new school both Cafeterias are under the direction of Miss Jeanne Currivan, Cafeteria Manager, with Mrs. Ida Clark in charge of the Cafeteria at the Elementary School, assisted by Mrs. Lena DeAngelis; and the High School Cafeteria in charge of Mrs. Lena Clark, assisted by Mrs. Mildred Godfrey.

### Salaries

Effective September 1955 a new salary schedule will be initiated. The following is a copy of the salary schedule:

| Years | Bachelors'<br>Degree | Masters<br>Degree |
|-------|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1     | \$2700               | \$2900            |



|    |      |      |
|----|------|------|
| 2  | 2850 | 3050 |
| 3  | 3000 | 3200 |
| 4  | 3150 | 3350 |
| 5  | 3300 | 3500 |
| 6  | 3400 | 3600 |
| 7  | 3500 | 3700 |
| 8  | 3600 | 3800 |
| 9  | 3700 | 3900 |
| 10 | 3800 | 4000 |

Credit for experience outside of Millis will be evaluated by the School Committee for the purpose of determining where the newly appointed teacher shall be placed on the salary schedule.

It is hoped that with this salary schedule in practice our turnover will be reduced.

#### **Repairs and New Equipment**

The floor in the Auditorium was removed and a new one inserted. This included the removal of the logs which were underneath the former floor. Many of these had become decayed. The cement surface was swept, treated with a tar solution, logs inserted which were treated with creosote, and the hardwood floor was placed on top of these logs. The floor was sanded and then sealed. The above procedure was recommended to your School Department by experts in the field.

After the hurricane, due to the excessive water, the drainage pipe leading from the Auditorium became blocked, and it was necessary to do a substantial amount of digging to clean the area. This was done in the driveway in front of the Auditorium. To eliminate this problem in the future a dry well has been dug in the grass area beyond the driveway.

Sixty-five Junior-Senior High School student units were purchased. A new Clary Adding Machine was purchased to replace the wornout adding machine. Four typewriters were purchased and the oldest four typewriters were traded in as partial payment. Your School Department was able to arrange, through the Surplus Commodities Department, for four typewriters which were put in condition at a minimum charge. A new mimeograph was purchased for the Commercial Department.

Four new tires were purchased for one of our school busses and sealed beam lights were purchased for both busses.



The back drop curtains were purchased for the High School Auditorium. New furniture was purchased for the Women Teachers' Room in the High School Building.

An Audiometer and a set of upright scales were purchased for the Health Department.

A steam iron was purchased for the Household Arts Department.

### Transportation

With the increase in student enrollment it has been necessary to revise the transportation facilities. This problem was treated impersonally with three factors in mind: grade level, distance, and safety factors. The following is a schedule of bus stops and the groups which are eligible to ride:

Group 1 includes Kindergarten through Grade 2

Group 2 includes Grades 3 and 4

Group 3 includes Grades 5 and 6

Group 4 includes Grades 7 through 12

### Bus Stops

|                                                    | Groups  |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Rockville Church                                   | 1-2-3-4 |
| Himmelfarb Street and Village                      | 1-2-3-4 |
| Turner and Dean Streets                            | 1-2-3-4 |
| Village and Pleasant Streets                       | 1-2-3-4 |
| Spencer and Pleasant Streets                       | 1-2-3-4 |
| Mushnick's                                         | 1-2-3-4 |
| Farm and Acorn Streets                             | 1-2-3-4 |
| Cedar and Farm Streets                             | 1-2-3-4 |
| Alma and Farm Streets                              | 1-2-3-4 |
| Farm and Village Streets                           | 1-2-3-4 |
| Plain and Spring Streets                           | 1-2     |
| Forest Road and Village Street—<br>West of Village | 1       |
| East of Village                                    | 1-2-3-4 |
| Village and Birch Streets                          | 1-2-3-4 |
| Gould's (Village Street)                           | 1-2-3-4 |
| Dover and Main Streets                             | 1-2-3-4 |
| Dwight, Bridge and Main Streets                    | 1-2-3-4 |
| Dover Road and Bridge Street                       | 1-2-3-4 |
| North and Union Streets                            | 1       |
| Woodlawn Drive and Main Street                     | 1       |



|                                    |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Daniels and Union Streets          | 1       |
| Irving Street                      | 1       |
| Van Kleeck Road                    | 1       |
| Oakview Avenue and Exchange Street | 1-2     |
| Island Road and Exchange Street    | 1-2-3   |
| Orchard and Exchange Streets       | 1-2-3-4 |
| Orchard and Ridge Streets          | 1-2-3-4 |
| Causeway and Ridge Streets         | 1-2-3-4 |

Other stops at outlying points are to be determined as needed. Kindergarten children picked up in the morning and let off in the afternoon at regular bus stops.

Formerly we were able to accommodate parents who had parties for their children and asked that pupils living in other sections of the town be transported to their homes. We would like to continue this practice, but if we were to do so we would be overloading the busses which is against the law. Under the circumstances it would seem wise for us to carry only the bus pupils.

Your Board of Selectmen, Chief of Police, School Committee and Superintendent have relocated the crosswalk at the road which leads directly into the new school. This seems to be the best method after considerable study.

### Insurance

For the second year we have made available on a voluntary basis the \$1 per pupil per year school policy. Any student from Kindergarten through the senior year in high school is eligible for this accident insurance at a cost of only one dollar a year.

The insurance will pay up to a maximum of Twenty-Five Hundred Dollars (\$2500.00) per injury. Dental expense is covered up to \$50.00 and applies only to injuries to sound natural teeth.

Bills for such medical expenses are paid for treatment received for as long as twenty-six weeks following the accident.

In addition this policy covers a phase which we hope we will never need. In the event of dismemberment or death, additional payments are made.

This plan in which participation is entirely voluntary, protects the student during the policy term (the policy is written for a twelve month period) for injuries received:

- a. while attending school during the hours and on the days when



school is in session, including coverage for sports, gym, physical education activities, shop, field trips, etc.

- b. while traveling to and from school.
- c. while participating in school sponsored and supervised activities either away from school premises or after school hours.

This policy does not cover medical expenses, death, or dismemberment for injuries sustained as a result of the practice and/or play of interscholastic sports by students enrolled in grades 9 through 12; (2) injuries caused by war or act of war; (3) service or treatment rendered as part of the school duties by a physician, nurse, or any other person employed or retained by the School; (4) Eye glasses or prescriptions therefor; (5) Non commercial air travel.

The above details are repeated to be informative and to be a permanent record.

This year we have 371 availing themselves of this policy.

### **Use of School Buildings**

Local organizations who desire to use the school buildings for their functions should contact the School Department office and secure the application for this purpose. These applications should be filled out and returned, signed by an authorized representative, at an early date, so that the School Committee may take formal action on the application. As soon as each application is acted upon it is inserted on the school calendar and kept open for the organization. School activities have priority.

### **Looking Ahead**

Over the period of the next three years adjustments should be made to prepare the High School Building for the various activities. Briefly, we should begin to replace the tables and chairs in the Cafeteria. In the Household Arts room running water should be made available as well as stoves for student usage. Necessary chairs and cabinets should be installed. Sewing machines should also be purchased for this department.

Possibly in the near future a dictaphone and electric typewriter might be added for the Commercial Department.

A sum of money should be set aside to modernize the plumbing in the boys and girls basements in the front of the building.

The Chemistry-Physics Laboratory should be developed.

The coal boiler should be repaired or replaced.



All of the stairways throughout the building should be put in proper condition.

With the Junior High School located in the front of the building on the first floor, there should be numerous advantages.

In the present Commercial room the desks in the front part of the room are to be removed and this area is to be used exclusively for typing. This necessitated the addition of two stands. The rear of the room behind the glass partition will be used for the Mimeograph and Rexograph machines. If these machines have to be used during the day, they will not interfere with classes. The bookkeeping classes are to be held elsewhere.

The library will revert to its former usage. The partition is to be removed, the ceiling and walls painted, and the book cases varnished by the custodians. It is planned to have this area ready by January 3.

There will be a private office for guidance conferences which should prove invaluable. Up to now it has been extremely difficult to find a vacant room to discuss guidance problems.

With a room designated as the Music Room, the gymnasium should be available for Physical Education more frequently.

Using more available space it would seem that in time we should broaden the basic program. Offerings should be more extensive in the Industrial Arts and Home Making Curriculum.

Even now the advantages of offering Physics and Chemistry each year have been noted. Transfer students may continue with either if it is part of his program and by so doing save as much as a year.

With greater facilities typing should be made available to more who are interested on an elective basis.

Our Art Program should be developed as to include some of the Crafts.

A large percentage of last year's graduates are attending colleges and advanced schools. Briefly stated we attempt to develop the pupil emotionally, socially, educationally, as far as possible. It is realized that as individuals we have different talents and the school tries to develop these to the advantage of each pupil.

At the elementary level, with the many up-to-the-minute features, namely, adequate classroom size, running water in each room, moveable furniture, direct entrance and exit to and from the play yard, hard top around the building, lavatories in the classroom for the pri-



mary units, an all purpose room which will take care of cafeteria, gymnasium and auditorium, the youth of Millis should have excellent opportunities.

### Art

Our new Art Instructor did not work too long a time after September due to ill health.

Last year in the Poppy Poster Contest which was conducted by the Legion Auxiliary, the following awards were presented:

#### Class 1—4th, 5th and 6th grades.

First Prize—Betsy Mushnick, Grade 6

Second Prize—John Howland, Grade 6

Third Prize—Jennifer Sink, Grade 6

First Honorable Mention—Margaret Walter, Grade 6

Second Honorable Mention—Richard Williams, Grade 6

Third Honorable Mention—Edward Simpson, Grade 6

#### Grade 5—Honorable Mention

First—Thomas White

Second—Melodie Wilson

Third—Nancy Clement

#### Grade 4—Honorable Mentions

First—Donna Collins

Second—Gloria O'Reilly

Third—Beverly Terriere

Fourth—Frances Duhamel

Fifth—Richard King

Sixth—Judith Rivers

#### Class 2—7th, 8th and 9th grades

First Prize—Cynthia Zalvan, Grade 8

Second Prize—Dorothy Sokol, Grade 8

Third Prize—Nancy Adams, Grade 7

### FINANCES

The following is a summary of the finances for the year just closed and the estimated amount for 1955. To cover the overage in the salary account it was necessary to borrow \$616.07 from the Town's General Fund. This same amount was left in the School Budget's General Account which will revert to the Town's General Fund.



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|               | 1953         | Estimated<br>1954 |
|---------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Budget        | \$124,409.00 | \$145,213.82      |
| Spent         | 124,345.80   |                   |
| Reimbursement | 36,753.01    | 40,147.61         |
| Net Cost      | \$87,592.79  | \$105,066.21      |

## State Reimbursement

|                                          |                    |                    |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Chapter 70 (General School Fund)         | \$29,563.38        | \$32,438.38        |
| Tuition State Wards, Transportation      |                    | 519.60             |
| Union Superintendent's Salary—Travel     | 1,866.66           | 1,866.66           |
| All School Transportation                | 5,322.97           | 5,322.97           |
|                                          | \$36,753.01        | \$40,147.61        |
| Maintenance of Evening Practical Arts    | \$255.00           | \$255.00           |
| Tuition of Pupils, Vocational Schools    | 695.89             | 200.00             |
| Transportation Pupils, Vocational School | 117.12             | 100.00             |
| Total Vocational Reimbursement           | \$1,068.01         | \$555.00           |
| <b>TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT</b>               | <b>\$37,821.02</b> | <b>\$40,702.61</b> |

As this is being written there is pending legislation which may increase State Aid to education.

## Special Articles

|                        | Appropriation | Spent      | Balance  |
|------------------------|---------------|------------|----------|
| Floor (Auditorium)     | \$5,000.00    | \$4,467.27 | \$532.73 |
| Recreation Program     | 600.00        | 497.68     | 102.36   |
| Evening Practical Arts | 350.00        | 350.00     |          |
| Vocational Tuition     | 1,200.00      | 630.83     | 569.17   |

## Conclusion

May I, at this time, extend my appreciation for the cooperation offered by the members of the School Committee, the Principals, the entire school personnel, all the local organizations and the townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE C. ROY,

Superintendent



**MILLIS CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL**  
**Grade Population as per School Register**  
**October 1, 1954**

**Elementary**

|                      | Grade  | Boys      | Girls     | No. by Room | No. by Grade |
|----------------------|--------|-----------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| Mildred A. Kingsbury | K A.M. | 12        | 19        | 31          | 67           |
|                      | K P.M. | 22        | 14        | 36          |              |
| Mary Rogers          | 1      | 18        | 26        | 44          | 82           |
| Janet Eastman        | 1      | 23        | 15        | 38          |              |
| Sibyl A. Enegren     | 2      | 17        | 9         | 26          | 51           |
| Helen A. Brennan     | 2      | 15        | 10        | 25          |              |
| Katherine Conroy     | 3      | 8         | 19        | 27          | 50           |
| Ellen R. Horan       | 3      | 10        | 13        | 23          |              |
| Pauline Madden       | 4      | 9         | 11        | 20          | 41           |
| Doris Levy           | 4      | 11        | 10        | 21          |              |
| Maureen Malone       | 5      | 16        | 17        | 33          | 33           |
| Natalene Tavalone    | 6      | 15        | 16        | 31          | 65           |
| Rose Blom            | 6      | 13        | 21        | 34          |              |
|                      |        | <hr/> 189 | <hr/> 200 | <hr/> 389   | <hr/> 389    |

**Junior High School**

|                  |    |          |          |          |          |
|------------------|----|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Eleanor Kenney   | 7X | 13       | 11       | 24       | 45       |
| Edward Tamuleviz | 7  | 11       | 10       | 21       |          |
| Nancy M. Nolan   | 8  | 18       | 18       | 36       | 36       |
|                  |    | <hr/> 42 | <hr/> 39 | <hr/> 81 | <hr/> 81 |

**High School**

|                    |    |          |          |           |           |
|--------------------|----|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Jean Johnson       | 9  | 11       | 14       | 25        | 39        |
| Victoria Sullivan  | 9  | 8        | 6        | 14        |           |
| Nancy Boggs        | 10 | 17       | 16       | 33        | 33        |
| Norma E. Stapleton | 11 | 10       | 10       | 20        | 20        |
| Mary K. Gavin      | 12 | 10       | 11       | 21        | 21        |
|                    |    | <hr/> 56 | <hr/> 57 | <hr/> 113 | <hr/> 113 |
| Totals All Grades  |    | 287      | 296      | 583       | 583       |

Note: We have had a few transfers since October 1, 1954 (pupils leaving and new pupils admitted). Our total enrollment for all grades was 594 on December 1, 1954.



**REPORT OF THE JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH PRINCIPAL**

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit my annual report for the school year 1954.

Members of the graduating class of 1954 have entered schools of higher learning as follows:

Paul J. Dmytryck—Boston College, Boston  
Russell W. Geyer—U. S. Air Force  
Lloyd W. Lipsett—Burdett College, Boston  
Jon B. Margolis—Cambridge School of Pharmacy, Boston  
Louis A. Moore—Northeastern University, Boston  
Katherine M. Bison—Burdett College, Boston  
Helen A. Clark—University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
Joyce S. Clark—Newton-Wellesley Hospital, Newton  
Gertrude T. Jones—Boston City Hospital, Boston  
Deirdre J. Macleod—University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
Joan M. Meleski—Regis College, Weston  
Ellen M. Riordan—Boston City Hospital, Boston  
Marie M. Sokoloski—Burdett College, Boston  
Gloria Winiker—Milford Hospital, Milford  
Geraldine F. Zalvan—Boston University, Boston

The girls in the Commercial Department who did not go to school have been fortunate in securing good positions.

**AWARDS****Class Night—Presentations:**

Class of 1954, Year Book to Joan Meleski, Editor

Athletics: Boys' Football Trophy—Paul Dmytryck  
Girls' Athletic Trophy—Marie Sokoloski  
Sweaters to Seniors

Readers' Digest, Valedictorian, Joan Meleski

Harvard Book sponsored by Clifford D. Thatcher, 1944 to William Keough



D. A. R. Good Citizenship, Geraldine Zalvan  
Excellence in United States History, Isaac Kramnick  
Bausch and Lomb Award for Excellence in the Sciences, Joan Meleski  
Danforth Foundation Award to Joan Sidman, Paul Dmytryck

#### Graduation:

Millis Parent-Teachers' Association Scholarship, Helen Clark  
Millis American Legion Scholarship, Joan Meleski

### ACTIVITIES

On April 8, the High School presented a minstrel show for the benefit of the Athletic Association under the direction of Richard Young, Miss Norma Stapleton, and Miss Nancy Nolan. This activity was a success and the proceeds were used to purchase awards made at graduation.

On April 19, the Senior Class made their annual Washington Trip. The class was assisted by an efficient parents' committee organized as follows:

Mr. Lloyd Lipsett, Chairman  
Mrs. Anthony Meleski, Treasurer  
Mrs. Abraham Margolis, Secretary

The parents and class raised sufficient funds to pay for their trip, Yearbook, and at graduation presented the school a television set. Miss Jeanne Currivan and Mr. James Pettengill were the chaperones.

Good Government Day was observed at the State House on March 12. The student body voted Paul Dmytryck to represent Millis High School.

The annual Junior Promenade and Senior Reception was held on Thursday, May 13. The grand march was directed by Mrs. Wilmae Thorne and led by Miss Valerie McLean, President of the Junior Class and Mr. Paul Dmytryck, President of the Senior Class.

The American Legion Post No. 208 sent Isaac Kramnick and Richard Woodin to Boys' State in June with all their expenses paid. This year



both boys made exceptionally fine records. During the 8-day period at Amherst the boys' training consisted of state government, citizenship training, and time for recreation. At the close of their experience the director gave the boys a written citizenship examination. Isaac Kramnick achieved a mark of 100% and Richard Woodin ranked third in the high group. On November 10, the officials of Massachusetts Boys' State came to our school and awarded Isaac Kramnick a plaque and the American Legion Reader for his outstanding achievement, and through the kindness of Mr. Morris Mushnick, Richard Woodin was awarded the American Legion Reader. The Boys' State officials present were: Hon. Edwin H. Lombard, Chairman of the Massachusetts Boys' State Program; Mr. Robert D. Callahan, Dean of Citizenship of Massachusetts Boys' State; Mr. Palais, Member of the Massachusetts Boys' State Executive Committee; Mr. Thomas Curtain, Department of Education; Mr. Philip Gavin, Assistant State Adjutant and Commander, Millis American Legion Post.

The American Legion Auxiliary sent Shirley Spencer to Girls' State at Bridgewater Teachers' College for one week with all expenses paid.

On December 9, the Senior Class presented its annual play, "We Shook The Family Tree" under the direction of Miss Norma Stapleton. The play was well presented and the proceeds substantial. The cast and committees were as follows:

#### Cast

|                  |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Marilyn Mael     | Shirley Spencer |
| Virginia DuHamel | Olga Maranjian  |
| William Keough   | Nancy Gylfe     |
| Patricia Fleming | George Smith    |
| Isaac Kramnick   | Donald Ackroyd  |
| Gerald Nirenberg | June Barrier    |

#### Stage Managers

|                           |                  |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| Edward Thatcher, Chairman | George Smith     |
| Richard Pixley            | Richard Woodin   |
| William Keough            | Gerald Nirenberg |

#### Prompters

|               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| Betty Bentlev | Edward Rogers |
|---------------|---------------|



**Ticket Committee**

Donald Ackroyd, Chairman  
Betty Bentley

Patricia Fleming  
Edward Rogers

**Usherettes**

Valerie McLean

Ann Derderian  
Virginia Lydon

**Candy Committee**

June Barrier, Chairman  
Marilyn Mael

William Keough  
Olga Maranjian

**Program Committee**

Nancy Gylfe  
June Barrier  
Betty Bentley  
Marilyn Mael

Ann Derderian  
Valerie McLean  
Patricia Fleming  
Shirley Spencer

**Booster Committee**

Valerie McLean, Chairman  
Marilyn Mael

Nancy Gylfe  
William Keough

On December 14, the Millis Booster Club, Mr. George E. Harris, chairman of the committee, and Mr. Julius Doliner, Master of Ceremonies, gave the football squad and cheerleaders their annual Booster Banquet. This year we were not celebrating a victory, but the attendance, spirit, and fellowship were excellent and very much appreciated by the team and cheerleaders.

As this calendar year comes to a close, I wish to express my appreciation to the School Committee, Superintendent of Schools, teachers, janitors, and others that have helped make this a successful year.

Respectfully submitted,

CLYDE F. BROWN,

Principal



**REPORT OF THE ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL**

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

It is my pleasure to submit to you my report of the elementary grades, kindergarten through grade six.

The eagerly-awaited completion of the new elementary school is a reality at the writing of this report. All those concerned with and affected by this change of quarters are deeply grateful to the people of Millis for providing such modern, cheerful surroundings for the youth of Millis. The need for this new housing has become even greater since the opening of school this September. Enrollment has continued to increase up to the present time. Safety, health, space and many other problems of administration will be alleviated by the forthcoming move.

Since assuming my duties in September, I have followed, with few changes, the established routine. We have fulfilled two of the plans which the teachers and Mr. James Pettengill had planned to carry out early in the year. A letter was sent to the parents of the first and second grade children explaining the approach of the school to the area of reading. Achievement tests were also given early in the year to grades three through six so that the results might be used diagnostically to help each child better in the coming year. A second, and no less important aim is to determine in what area or areas the faculty might profit most from in-service training and study in the future.

The system of parent-teacher conferences has also been continued in the firm conviction that parent, teacher, and child all profit greatly from such meetings. Parent cooperation in the plan has been very pleasing and encouraging.

It is very gratifying to continue to foster the spirit of thrift in the children by participation in the government saving stamp program. At this writing, the children in grades three through six have purchased over \$100 in saving stamps.

When we take up quarters in the new plant, the noon period will be lengthened fifteen minutes and the afternoon recess period eliminated. The primary grades, however, will have a mid-afternoon rest and lava-



tory period. It is felt that less confusion, easier planning, and hence a more effective learning situation will result from this change.

American Education Week this year was celebrated with a program for the parents. Every child of each class participated to present an insight into some of the facets of the school curriculum not as widely discussed as the three R's. These included the areas of citizenship, literature, health, safety, music, and art. The teachers and children are to be commended for their great effort and results; the parents are to be commended for their fine attendance and interest. Room visitation during American Education Week, which was a physical impossibility this year, is planned next year as a necessary part of our program.

In closing my report, I wish to thank the School Committee, the Superintendent of Schools, the faculty, and all others who have assisted me so generously and cheerfully in becoming established. I am sincerely grateful for the cooperation I have received.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS G. JACKSON,

Elementary Principal

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### REPORT OF GUIDANCE DIRECTOR

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

The Guidance Program of the Millis Junior-Senior High School was carried on very successfully during the school year of 1953-54. The usual testing program was further developed with the addition of the American Council of Education Psychological Examination given to freshmen and seniors.

On February 3 the Junior Class took the Boston University battery of tests at Medfield High School. This test is used as the basis for



individual counseling in the Senior Year.

The Commercial group was interviewed and tested by Mr. George Larkin and associates of the Milford office of the United States Employment Service on April 21.

Throughout the year representatives of various schools appeared before the student body informing the pupils of the advantages of higher education and the necessity of good preparation for life's work. This phase of the program was augmented by the use of motion pictures provided by industry and colleges.

This year at the Junior High level we introduced a new step in our program, namely, the issuing of a mimeographed pamphlet, prepared by the Commercial Department, entitled "You and Your High School". This provides entering students with an insight into high school life. We hope to elaborate this on this part of the program next year to include several orientation periods.

I wish to thank you, Principal Clyde F. Brown, and the entire faculty for the cooperation offered and the help given in carrying out the program.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY M. DOYLE,

Guidance Director

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## REPORT OF BOYS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit my annual report.

The Boys' Physical Education Program for the past year accomplished the following—Intramural Basketball and Volleyball Tournaments were set up and all the boys participated in at least one of the events. "Our aim is to give the opportunity to everyone to participate in some physical endeavor."



A few individual sports were initiated, such as Badminton and Tennis. Softball was played in the different classes and again we stressed the importance of all participating.

In the fall we took advantage of the weather and played tag football under strict supervision.

We hope that by an individual taking part in some physical activities he will be better able to face some of the problems that will arise in later life.

The Physical Education Department wishes to express its heartfelt gratitude to Mr. Roy, our Superintendent, and Mr. Brown, our Principal, for their excellent cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD P. TAMULEVIZ,

Boys' Physical Education Instructor

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## REPORT OF BOYS' ATHLETICS

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

### REPORT ON BASKETBALL—1953-1954

The Basketball Team this year was composed of boys who did not have much experience at the beginning of the season. As the season progressed these boys improved considerably and at the season's end they were a completely improved ball club. Louis Moore and Edward Thatcher did a fine job of offensive and defensive playing.

Our record this year was four wins, eight losses. This record is against clubs such as Weston and Wayland and Westwood, whose choice of boys in height and quantity far exceeds ours. Our boys are to be commended for their fine endeavor.



Louis Moore was elected to the Dual County League All Star Team.

The boys who participated in Basketball:

|                 |                     |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| Louis Moore     | John Gately         |
| Edward Thatcher | William Rivers      |
| George Smith    | Alan Newell         |
| Thomas Keough   | Robert Karoghlanian |
| Robert Morrison | Eugene Smith        |
| Richard Woodin  | Donald Ackroyd      |
| Paul Robinson   | Howard Watson       |
| David Howland   | William Collins     |

### REPORT ON BASEBALL

This year's baseball record of six losses and one win is not impressive, but considering the experience gained it should pay off good dividends in future years. A large percentage of the boys who participated in baseball this year were freshmen and sophomores. These boys gaining experience now will reap the fruits of their endeavors in coming years by presenting Millis with a good baseball team.

The boys who participated in baseball:

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Edward Thatcher | Donald Ackroyd |
| Thomas Keough   | Howard Watson  |
| Richard Woodin  | William Keough |
| David Howland   | John Diggins   |
| William Rivers  | Richard Pixley |
| Eugene Smith    |                |

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD A. YOUNG,

Faculty Manager



**REPORT ON FOOTBALL**

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

The record of three wins and four losses compiled by this year's team is not particularly impressive; however, two of the four losses were by a touchdown. The team, composed of six seniors and fifteen underclassmen promises to be a winning team in the near future. The play of the six seniors lead by Co-Captains George Smith and Donald Ackroyd was an inspiration to the rest of the team. Next year's co-captains are Donald Dmytryck and John Diggins.

My sincere thanks to Dr. Zalvan and Edward Tamuleviz for their wonderful cooperation and assistance in coaching this year's team.

Boys who participated in football:

George Smith  
Donald Ackroyd  
William Keough  
Edward Thatcher  
Gerald Nirenberg  
Robert Corcoran  
Robert Morrison  
Howard Watson  
Thomas Keough  
Martin Veiner  
Gary Casey

Allan Bentley  
Francis Judge  
William Rivers  
Robert Barrett  
Milford Kenney  
Donald Dmytryck  
John Diggins  
Robert DiCenzo  
Richard Pixley  
Richard Woodin, Mgr.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL J. BENNETT,

Coach



## REPORT ON PHYSICAL EDUCATION

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

Education has many phases and one of the most important is Physical Education. Physical Activities which are selected and carried on with utmost regard to the values in human growth, development and behavior, are made available to each child in the Millis Consolidated Schools. Because Physical Education is a phase of the total education programs in the world today, it has the same general aims. To give to each individual well rounded development both mentally and physically.

In the Millis Schools the elementary school children are taught activities such as modified athletic games, stunts and tumbling, folk and square dancing, and games of high and low organization.

The Junior and Senior High School program consists of field hockey, volley ball, badminton, basketball, stunts and tumbling conditioning exercises, folk and square dancing, softball and other varied activities.

Both an intra-mural and interscholastic schedule is carried on in the varied sports for after school activities. Basketball, which is considered most important by the girls, functions for the longest period of time. Each year between November and February about 35 girls practice for or participate in a ten game schedule with the surrounding towns.

Today in our world every minute which is devoted to healthful, organized recreation contributes to the development of a mature and responsible person.

I hope that my program here in Millis is doing that for each child in the school.

Respectfully,

JOAN McKINSTRY



### REPORT OF ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

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|                         |         |          |
|-------------------------|---------|----------|
| Balance January 1, 1954 |         | \$263.33 |
| Basketball receipts     | \$70.75 |          |
| Less Officials          | 195.00  |          |
|                         | <hr/>   | 139.08   |
| Baseball receipts       | 00.00   |          |
| Less Officials          | 66.00   |          |
|                         | <hr/>   | 73.08    |
| Football receipts       | 292.25  |          |
| Less Officials          | 120.00  |          |
|                         | <hr/>   | 245.33   |
| Minstrel Show receipts  | 153.91  |          |
|                         |         | <hr/>    |
|                         |         | \$399.24 |

### Expenses

|                               |         |          |
|-------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Janitor Services              | \$83.00 |          |
| Cheer Leader Emblems          | 19.70   |          |
| Baseball League Dues          | 10.00   |          |
| Mass. Principals' Association | 10.00   |          |
| Senior Sweaters               | 114.53  |          |
| Trophies                      | 23.70   |          |
| Basketball League Dues        | 3.00    |          |
|                               | <hr/>   | 263.93   |
| Balance December 31, 1954     |         | <hr/>    |
|                               |         | \$135.31 |

### REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

As your School Nurse it is again my pleasure to submit a report of the activities which are carried on for the benefit of our pre-school and school-aged children.



Each fall physical examinations are done by Dr. Zalvan, our school physician. Those examined include all pupils in the Junior-Senior High School; all children in grades 2 - 4 - 6; all new pupils entering our school system regardless of grade; any children whose examination in previous years showed a defect requiring follow-up; and any children about whom the teacher is concerned because of their general appearance or inability to carry on the school program.

This fall 423 children were examined and only a few were found in need of further follow-up.

Parents were again invited to be present when the health appraisal on their child was done. Eighty-nine parents attended these parent-doctor-nurse conferences at which one hundred thirty-seven children were examined and the results of the physical examinations of twenty-five Junior-Senior High School pupils were also discussed. The Medical Department finds these conferences very helpful and the follow through by the parents on any suggestions has been very gratifying to us.

The health problems still remain much the same; namely, posture defects of the feet, and dental caries. The correction necessary for most of the posture difficulties is that of continuously reminding the children to stand and sit properly. The foot problems are chiefly arch defects. At the moment, many are not serious but proper shoes are required to prevent more serious trouble later. Much dental care is needed throughout the school. The Dental Clinic provides some care at the elementary level but the time limitation makes it impossible to cover all care needed.

During the 1953-1954 school year thirty-three Dental Clinics were held. One hundred fifty-five children were X-rayed. The results of the X-ray findings and the oral examinations were sent to the parents. Sixty-one children received care at the Clinic. The following work was completed: Prophylaxis (cleanings)—56; restorations in permanent teeth—183, of which 24 were porcelain; restorations in deciduous (first teeth)—56; and the extractions included five permanent teeth and eleven first teeth.

At the Pre-School Registration Clinic 53 children were examined and registered for Kindergarten and Grade 1. Again, the defects found were chiefly of a minor nature with only a few children referred to their family physician or a Clinic for treatment of a specific condition.



The Puretone Audiometer Test was done on all pupils in the school system who were present during the time the machine could be borrowed from the Department of Public Health. Notices were sent home on any children who failed this hearing test.

This year the School Department has purchased an Audiometer of their own. This certainly will be a very valuable aid to the Nurse, since all examination can be done at any time on questionable children who are referred by the teacher or parent.

Eye testing was done and notices were sent home on any pupils who failed the test. Many pupils are now wearing corrective glasses. We still have some youngsters whose parents fail to recognize the necessity for glasses and so the child is considerably handicapped in his school work. Gradually, however, the number of children without glasses is being lessened and it is hoped that soon all children with eye defects will be under care.

The Norfolk County Hospital Mobile Unit X-rayed twenty-one Seniors and many of the school personnel. As yet no report has been received.

The Annual Toxoid Clinics were held in the spring sponsored jointly by the Board of Health and the Millis Visiting Nurse Association. Twenty children received the initial series of antigen injections to protect them against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus. Seventy-two children received "booster" doses of this antigen at these Clinics.

This year the School Department has purchased several books for me. These books cover the field of child development and can prove an excellent reference source for all the school personnel and any interested parents, since they deal with the normal and abnormal development of the child as well as the social and behavior situation.

Because the pupils are often given special assignments on health the school has also purchased several pamphlets which will offer them authoritative information in this area.

As in the past my thanks must go to all those with whom I am associated daily at school as well as to the various organizations of Millis who have assisted me by their donations of time, money, or clinic facilities. Your cooperation is gratefully appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

MYRTLE A. COLDWELL, R.N.,  
School Nurse



**ANNUAL REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN**

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

Dating back several years, the Medical Department of the Millis Consolidated School initiated a program of examination of school children with parents present. Since this type of conference is time-consuming, we were able to select only one or two classes under this program because each school child had to be examined every year in accordance with the State law. The recent passage of a new State law requiring that each child be examined every third year instead of annually allowed us to expand our program as outlined last year. During the school physicals this fall, 89 parents were in attendance during the examinations of 137 children, and the physical findings of 25 upper class students were also discussed with these parents—a total of 162 or about  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the students examined. Although we selected alternate grades in the primary school, we examined the entire Junior and Senior High Schools.

We find the response to our program most gratifying. Although, as usual, we find most defects in throat, teeth, feet, and posture, we also find that the total percentage of children free from defects is increasing. This year about 30% were found to have no physical defects as compared to 15% only a few years ago. We feel that this result is achieved by having the parents present, for the subsequent consultation makes them more responsive and more willing to cooperate. For instance, this year three children received a complete heart check-up following our suggestions; one child was referred to a behavior clinic; several were referred to family physicians for problems of obesity or underweight, eye defects, etc.

We have also continued our personal attendance at football games and we are pleased to report that this year we had no serious injuries. We wish to praise the coach for refusing to use injured players until we approved. There has been no problem of contagion at school. The cafeteria is still doing a superb job and has an excellent patronage.

Digressing for a moment, we should like to remind the parents of the insurance policy offered the pupils by the School Committee. The fee is only \$1.00. It covers the child for accidents occurring on the way to and from school and during school hours. Several families have



already benefited from this program, but several others were obliged to assume the financial loss because they had no coverage. Of the latter, a few said they did not know of the program although the school advertised it freely. This insurance policy is very worth while and we hope that in the future there will be 100% enrollment.

Once more we wish to thank our school nurse, Miss Myrtle Coldwell, R.N., the faculty, and the parents, without whose assistance and cooperation this favorable report would not be possible.

Respectfully submitted,

JACOB J. ZALVAN, M.D.,

School Physician

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### REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DENTIST

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

A very successful series of Dental Clinics was held this year for the period extending from September 1953 to June 1954. After complete X-ray and oral examinations, notices were sent home stating the corrective treatment needed, and many parents elected to have the work done at the School Clinics. Thirty-three clinics in all were held under the sponsorship of the Board of Health of Millis.

One hundred fifty-five sets of X-rays were taken, and the treatment completed in the clinics consisted of: 159 permanent fillings; 56 fillings in temporary teeth; 24 porcelain fillings; 56 cleanings; 5 extractions of permanent teeth; and 11 extractions of temporary teeth.

This series of Clinics is of great value in the School health program, but it must be emphasized that the teeth of school children need checking two or three times a year. We can only check them once during the year. Because we have an X-ray machine as part of the equipment, we take pride in the thoroughness of this check-up and the reports sent home are complete reports.



I wish to extend my thanks to Miss Coldwell, the Board of Health, and the School authorities for their assistance and cooperation during the past.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN L. BROWN, D.M.D.,

School Dentist

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## REPORT OF HOME ECONOMICS

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

Overcrowded conditions will soon be alleviated by the completion of the new school. This fact will make available a Home Economics room and plans are underway for the development of a more extensive program in the near future.

Presently the sixth grade classes are held once weekly and in this period of time the girls master numerous fundamental stitches and construct a skirt, machine stitched.

The seventh grade, with classes twice each week, have a short course of study in good grooming and textiles following the completion of a sewing project, pajamas.

In the eighth grade the girls undertake a more difficult project, a skirt and blouse. This enables the student to employ knowledge of good grooming, textiles, pattern selection, garment construction and machine manipulation.

It is the fervent hope of all that eventually a modern, workable combination clothing and foods laboratory will be made available, thereby permitting a Home Economics program in the High School as well as in the Junior High School.

Respectfully submitted,

JEANNE CURRIVAN,

Home Economics Supervisor



**REPORT OF CAFETERIA**

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

With the completion of the new Elementary School various changes have taken place in the school lunch program. A modern, fully equipped cafeteria opened on Monday, December 20, 1954, and served a large proportion of the school children.

Both schools will operate under one state agreement of the school lunch program, serving the same daily menu and receive similar agricultural commodities. The maintenance of two cafeterias serving approximately the same number of students, due to additional labor costs, will create an increase in program expenditures. It is doubtful if the present revolving fund system which has in the past successfully sustained cafeteria expenses, will sufficiently withstand greater operation costs. An appropriation, in part or whole, for labor payments will in the future be necessary.

Renovations in the high school cafeteria which were made last year, have been a great advantage to working conditions, however, much remains to be done in an effort to improve the overall appearance of the kitchen and to modernize and facilitate working conditions.

The daily lunch count has increased considerably this year, and every effort is being made to improve meals through variety and quantity of foods served.

The school lunch menu appears weekly in the Milford Daily News and typical of the lunches are the following two:

|                            |                                  |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Cheeseburgers              | Fish Sticks                      |
| Potato Chips - Green Beans | Cole Slaw - Mashed Potato        |
| Cranberry Sauce            | Butter or Peanut Butter Sandwich |
| Apricot Squares            | Blackberry Fruit Jello - Cream   |
| Milk                       | Milk                             |

Respectfully submitted,

JEANNE CURRIVAN,

Cafeteria Manager



## CAFETERIA FINANCIAL REPORT

## Receipts

|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Balance December 1953 | \$1,252.84  |
| January               | 995.95      |
| February              | 945.44      |
| March                 | 1,083.13    |
| April                 | 1,414.35    |
| May                   | 1,622.15    |
| June                  | 896.17      |
| September             | 1,313.76    |
| October               | 1,350.00    |
| November              | 1,334.42    |
| December              | 1,218.50    |
|                       | <hr/>       |
|                       | \$13,426.71 |

## Disbursements

|                         | Food        | Labor      |
|-------------------------|-------------|------------|
| January                 | \$834.32    | \$224.00   |
| February                | 1,058.96    | 224.00     |
| March                   | 797.13      | 224.00     |
| April                   | 1,222.54    | 236.00     |
| May                     | 745.94      | 240.00     |
| June                    | 733.89      | 300.00     |
| September               | 678.96      | 120.00     |
| October                 | 1,384.87    | 365.00     |
| November                | 1,170.34    | 240.00     |
| December                | 1,448.99    | 240.00     |
|                         | <hr/>       | <hr/>      |
|                         | \$10,075.94 | \$2,413.00 |
| Receipts                | \$13,426.71 |            |
| Disbursements           | 12,488.94   |            |
|                         | <hr/>       |            |
| Balance — December 1954 | \$937.77    |            |



**REPORT OF INDUSTRIAL ARTS**

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

During 1954 Industrial Arts has had much pupil participation. Many worthwhile projects have been completed by boys and girls of all grades. These undertakings have progressed and developed skills from the sixth grade to the eighth grade through the use of hand wood-working tools. Projects such as cedar lamps, tables, bookcases, benches, key racks, shelves and many others have been very popular. High School boys and girls participate in advanced woodworking, leather-craft, mechanical drawing and other subjects of their chosen interest.

During 1954 a power jig saw was added to the power tools. This is a very popular tool for the boys to use first.

We are looking forward to additional growth during 1955. Our appreciation is expressed to all who assisted our Industrial Arts Program during 1954.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD A. YOUNG,

Industrial Arts Supervisor

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**REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR**

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

After an absence of many years, it is again my pleasure to report on the progress of Music in the Millis Schools.

The work of the two previous supervisors is being carried forward.



New books have been added to complete the series begun within the last few years, and we hope to add appropriate records next year to supplement these books. Since Music Books for grades in all the newer series require piano accompaniments for most of the songs, our lack of pianos is a serious handicap both in teaching and enjoyment. Anyone with a piano in good condition which they no longer need would do a real service if they would contribute it to the school.

This year, due to the size of the groups, we have separate Glee Clubs for High School Boys and Girls. The group of fifty girls has already performed creditably at the Veterans' Day Program. An outstanding performance by the combined Sixth Grades at a recent program has also received much favorable comment. Credit for this is due of course to the faithful work of the grade teachers in charge.

All of the grade teachers are most cooperative, and it is due to them that music in the elementary groups is successful. Every child is encouraged to participate even if his voice is not a beautiful one.

With the addition of more subjects to the class day, time for music has decreased, therefore music methods have been streamlined. If children seem to know less about syllables and other technical aspects of music, it is because a choice had to be made for the limited time allowed. More singing of enjoyable songs is stressed, and formal note reading, while not eliminated, is given second place. Learning by ear, once taboo, is now realistically being put to use, and the eyes and ears learn together.

All kinds of music is now sung at school, as we have learned that good music is "appropriate music".

Respectfully submitted,

ELINORE E. COLE,

Music Supervisor



## REPORT OF DRIVER EDUCATION

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

Driver Education during 1954 continued to be very popular in Millis High School. Mr. Fred C. Browne of Walpole, Mass. has again made possible a new car for use in this course. Mr. Browne has presented a new car for five consecutive years to Millis. His interest in helping the youth of Millis is greatly appreciated.

Thirty pupils were enrolled in the Driver Education course in September 1954. This represents an increase of 30% over the enrollment of last year. Financial benefits being offered by insurance companies are an incentive to participate in this program.

The following students successfully passed the written Registry test on Motor Vehicle law and received their driving license at the school during 1954:

Donald Ackroyd  
Elizabeth Bentley  
Ann Derderian  
Patricia Fleming  
Russell Geyer  
Marilyn Mael  
Joan Meleski  
Gerald Nirenberg  
Shirley Spencer  
Geraldine Zalvan

Lucille Barrier  
Joyce Clark  
Virginia DuHamel  
Gertrude Jones  
William Keough  
Deirdre Macleod  
Ellen Riordan  
Edward Rogers  
Marie Sokoloski

Our thanks to all who cooperated and assisted our Driver Education Program during 1954.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD A. YOUNG,

Driver Education Supervisor



## REPORT OF RECREATIONAL PROGRAM

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To the Citizens of Millis:

This year, as in the past, the recreation program was carefully and successfully conducted. It was under the supervision of the qualified and experienced supervisors—Miss Florence Gilboy of Millis and Mr. Edward Charland of Medway.

The program was conducted for a five week period during July and August. The children had supervised play and craft activities in the park for three weeks—an increase of one week—and swimming for the other two weeks.

The supervised play program in the park was very successful and there was an average of ninety to one hundred children present each day. The older children had supervised games, relays, and competitive sports while the younger children had games, relays, coloring, story hour, and simple craft activities. The program schedule of 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon was carefully planned and conducted with a certain amount of flexibility to meet individual differences. There were adequate supplies and equipment for the supervisors to work with. Generally speaking, the whole program was very effective.

The swimming project, as in the past, was conducted at Dug Pond in Natick. An approximate number of one hundred twenty were enrolled. Attendance was very regular. Many received certificates in junior life saving and pins in the swimmers' and beginners' classes.

The recreation program was very successful. The children who participated in it enjoyed all phases of it and were carefully supervised at all times—this was obvious to all the parents whose interest was indicated through visits to the playground and the swimming pool.

Needless to say, the increase in the enrollment in our schools has greatly influenced the number participating in our recreation program. There has been a decided increase in the numbers attending both the playground program and the swimming lessons. The program is worthwhile—it is for your children! Let's endeavor to keep it as



active as it is and at the same time try to improve it.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK J. WELCH, Chairman  
PRISCILLA B. DEWEY, Secretary  
EARL H. MERKLE, Fin. Secretary  
STUART M. KING, Member  
ROBERT W. McDONOUGH, Member

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### REPORT OF EVENING PRACTICAL ARTS

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

Last spring we conducted a class in Dressmaking and one in Decorated Wares, both of which were so crowded that it was necessary for each to be divided into two sessions.

These two classes proved so popular with the women of Millis that this fall we again started classes in these two subjects, and each has been very well attended.

The Evening Practical Arts classes have all been well received, and we feel that the women who attend them get a great deal for the time spent on them. We would appreciate receiving suggestions as to other classes in which people are interested.

We wish to thank all who have helped make these classes interesting and helpful.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. KATHERINE O'ROURKE, Chairman  
MRS. RUTH WRIGHT, Secretary  
MRS. WILMAE THORNE

Advisory Board



**CLASS NIGHT—CLASS OF 1954**  
**MILLIS HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

**Tuesday Evening, June 8, 1954**

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**PROGRAM**

The Star-Spangled Banner Assembly

Invocation Rev. Robert I. Howland

Salutation Gaines

Welcome School Chorus  
 Paul Dmytryck  
 President of the Senior Class

Class History Helen Clark and Joyce Clark

Music—I Believe Shirl and Stillman

School Chorus  
 Class Prophecy  
 Katherine Bison, Deirdre Macleod, and Joan Sidman

Music—Halls of Ivy Russell and Knight

Class Will Jon Margolis and Louis Moore

Music—Look For The Silver Lining Kern

School Chorus  
 Presentation of Yearbook, Class of 1954  
 Mrs. Warren Barrett, Class Advisor

Presentation of Athletic Awards  
 Mr. Richard Young, Director of Athletics

Presentation of Reader's Digest Award  
 Mrs. Talbot Dewey, School Committee

Presentation of Harvard Book Award, given by the Harvard Club of  
 Boston, sponsored by Mr. Clifford Donald Thatcher, Class of 1944  
 Mr. Henry M. Doyle, Assistant Principal



- Presentation of Good Citizenship Certificate  
Mr. George C. Roy, Superintendent of Schools
- Presentation of Millis Teachers' Club Award  
for Excellence in United States History  
Mr. James Pettengill, President
- Presentation of the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Award  
for Excellence in the Sciences  
Mr. Earl H. Merkle, School Committee
- Presentation of the Danforth Foundation Award  
Mr. Clyde F. Brown, Principal
- School Song  
Thuringian Folk Song

**REPORT OF THE  
FIFTY-FIRST GRADUATION EXERCISES OF THE  
MILLIS HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1954**

**Wednesday Evening, June 9, 1954**

|              |               |
|--------------|---------------|
| CLASS FLOWER | Red Carnation |
| CLASS COLORS | Blue and Gold |
| CLASS MOTTO  |               |

Out of School Life  
On to Life's School

**PROGRAM**

|                                                                           |                   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Posting of Colors                                                         | American Legion   |
| Processional<br>(The audience will please remain seated during the march) |                   |
| The Star-Spangled Banner                                                  | Key               |
| Invocation                                                                | Rev. John Parsons |
| Salutation                                                                | Gaines            |



## School Chorus

Salutatory and Essay—

Medicine Marches On

Geraldine Zalvan

Music—Dear Land of Home

Sibelius

## School Chorus

Commencement Address

Mr. Roland R. Darling

Assistant Director of Admissions, Northeastern University

Music Halls of Ivy

Russell and Knight

## School Chorus

Valedictory and Essay—

Should the Legal Voting Age Be Lowered to Eighteen?

Joan Meleski

Music—America, Our Heritage

## School Chorus

Presentation of Class Gift

Paul J. Dmytryck

President of the Senior Class

Solo—The Lord's Prayer

Deidre Macleod

Presentation of American Legion Scholarship Award

Mr. Anthony Bando, Commander  
American Legion Post No. 208

Presentation of Millis Parent-Teacher Association Scholarship

Mrs. Stanley H. Hart, President

Presentation of Diplomas

Mr. Frederick J. Welch, Chairman of School Committee

School Song

Thuringian Folk Song



## SCHOOL CHORUS

Gray is the peaceful night:  
Day's closing brings it nigh—  
Crimson which streaks the sky  
In radiant light.  
Those are our colors dear  
Though we in numbers few,  
To them we will be true  
When far or near.

Each year we work and strive  
To keep our ideals high,  
High as the distant sky  
Each one alive.  
Memories of happy hours,  
Millis, thou school of ours,  
Hear this our welcome lay  
Crimson and Gray.

—Words by Ruth Richardson, '20

Recessional

Retiring of Colors

American Legion



**MILLIS HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING CLASS****June 9, 1954****Magna Cum Laude**

Joan Marie Meleski

Geraldine Faith Zalvan

**Cum Laude**

Katherine Margaret Bison

Deirdre Jean Macleod

Helen Amelia Clark

Jon Benjamin Margolis

Joyce Suzanne Clark

Louis Alexander Moore

Joan Ida Sidman

Clark, Maynard Sherwood

Clark, Helen Amelia

Dmytryck, Paul Joseph

Clark, Joyce Suzanne

Geyer, Russell William

Jones, Gertrude Theresa

Lipsett, Lloyd Wayne

Macleod, Deirdre Jean

Margolis, Jon Benjamin

Meleski, Joan Marie

Meyer, Carl

Riordan, Ellen Marie

Moore, Louis Alexander

Shannon, Joanna

Olson, Harold Edward, Jr.

Sidman, Joan Ida

Barrier, Lucille

Sokoloski, Marie Marion

Bison, Katherine Margaret

Thorne, Nancy Evelene

Carlson, Caroline Joan

Winiker, Gloria

Carlson, Rae Belle

Zalvan, Geraldine Faith

Cassidy, Elizabeth Louise







**WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

## GREETING:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Millis, in said County,

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Millis, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet in the High School Auditorium in said Millis, on Monday, the twenty-first day of February, A.D. 1955, for the election of officers.

The polls to be open at 10:00 A.M. and close at 8:00 P.M., also on Monday, February 14, 1955, at 7:30 P.M. in the School Auditorium for the Business Meeting, said Auditorium being in said Millis. Then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator for one year, a Town Clerk for one year, a Town Treasurer for one year, two Constables for one year, one Selectman for three years, one member of Board of Public Welfare for three years, one Assessor for three years, two School Committeemen for three years, one Trustee of Public Library for three years, one Park Commissioner for three years, one Sewer Commissioner for three years, one Water Commissioner for three years, one member of the Planning Board for five years.

Article 2. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Article 3. To appropriate money for all necessary expenses including a sum sufficient to pay all Town Officers' salaries, or act in any manner relating thereto.



Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2500.00 for the salary of the Visiting Nurse for the year 1955; said appropriation is in no way to be construed as meaning that the Association has to furnish any free service to any category of public assistance, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money, said sum being the portion of the expense incurred and apportioned by the County Commissioners for the care and maintenance of Norfolk County Hospital, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to continue the committee appointed by the Moderator for the purpose of planning a Memorial to members of the Armed Services who served in World War II, the committee to report at a future Town Meeting, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2735.00 from the inactive road machinery account to the active road machinery account, to be used for Road Machinery purposes, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the overlay reserve a sum of money to be used for a reserve fund, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 9. To see what disposition the Town will make of the money refunded by the county on account of dog licenses, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation or available funds in the treasury the sum of \$10,000.00 to be added to the Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of Section 5B, Chapter 40, General Laws, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer money of George Barden Fund to Evening Practical Arts Account, or take any action thereon.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the cash balance from various departments into general cash, or act in any



manner relating thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1955 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to appoint their own Water Registrar, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Sewer Commissioners to appoint one of their members to the position of Superintendent of Sewers and to fix his salary, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4A, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to appoint their own clerks of their board and appropriate a sum of money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tree Warden to work for the Tree Department and be paid on an hourly basis, the Town to set the hourly rate of pay, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to appoint their members to the positions of Superintendent and Assistant Superintendents of Water Works and to fix their salary in accordance with the provisions of Section 4A, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Park Commissioners to appoint one of their members to the position of Superintendent of Parks and who will be paid on an hourly basis. This money to be obtained from the Park's appropriation, or act in any manner relating thereto.



Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of constructing an elevated tank off Pleasant Street for the Water Department and to determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, or by appropriation from available funds in the Treasury, or by borrowing under Clause 4, Section 8, Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to have the Board of Selectmen seek petition to the General Court to transfer a parcel of Park land off Pleasant Street, approximately 3200 square feet, to the Water Department for the purpose of installation of an elevated tank with access piping and valves, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to lay a 10 inch Main on Main Street from the corner of Plain Street easterly on Main Street for a distance of 240 feet or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to pay one-half of the cost of the 6 inch water extension on Orchard Street from the residence of Mr. Francis Gray to residence of Mr. A. M. Sonnabend on Orchard Street, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to extend an 8 inch water main on Walnut Street, a distance of approximately 370 feet, and to determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation from available funds in the Treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to extend an 8 inch water main on Ridge Street, a distance of approximately 1160 feet, and to determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation from available funds in the Treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to extend a 10 inch water main on Middlesex St. from the corner of Ridge St. to the intersection of Orchard Street at Towle's Corner, a distance of approximately 1575 feet, and to determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation from available funds in the Treasury or act in any manner relating thereto.



Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the 6 inch water main on Norfolk Road to the establishment of the Winiker Poultry Farm Inc., a distance of approximately 3000 feet; determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the sewer system on Plain Street from the residence of Mrs. Annie Gannon to and including the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Malachowski; determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the sewer system on Union Street to Main Street; determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a gasoline compressor to be used as an auxiliary in case of power failure at the Sewer Ejector Station, said compressor to be also used for other town departments, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to improve the parking lot in the rear of the high school or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to replace the 1951 Ford School Bus by the purchase of a new bus with the allowance on the old bus to be applied against the purchase price, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the School Department to the Park Department a parcel of land which is no longer needed for school purposes, said parcel being shown as Lot B<sup>1</sup> and containing 16.46 acres on plan entitled, "Plan of Land in the Town of Millis, showing subdivision of Lot



"B" of plan filed 1922-180, Scale: 80 feet to the inch, E. P. Gavin, Surveyor, November 1, 1954", or do anything relating thereto.

Article 34. To see if the Town will allow the School Committee to dispose of the old elementary school units now stored in the Rockville School or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 35. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$1000 for the School Cafeteria Revolving Fund or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee for the purpose of investigating land for probable school use, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1000 for the purchase of a Power Mower for the Park Department, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the necessary operating expenses of the School Building Committee or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Florence A. Twist Cemetery Trust Fund of April 1954, or act in any manner pertaining thereto: \$75.00

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Lyman Adams additional Cemetery Trust Fund of July 1954, or act in any manner pertaining thereto: \$100.00

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Lura Huntley Cemetery Trust Fund of July 1954, or act in any manner pertaining thereto: \$108.69

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Irving R. Clark Cemetery Trust Fund of July 1954, or act in any manner pertaining thereto: \$75.00

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Cornelius J. Coughlin Cemetery Trust Fund, of December 1954, or act in any manner pertaining thereto: \$100.00



Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee to act to eliminate the smoke and odor nuisance in the East Millis section of the Town, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the enumeration of the State Census as of January 1, 1955, such sums as appropriated to be spent under the Direction of the Board of Selectmen, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to accept that part of Prospect Street as has been relocated by the Selectmen, as shown on a plan of Prospect Street, dated March 1, 1954, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$12.00 for land damages as awarded by the County Commissioners for the relocation of Main Street between Dover Road and Union Street, or act in any manner relating thereto:

|                                                                      |         |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Alexia Bayramshian et al .....                                       | 1.00    |
| Mtg: Suffolk First Federal Savings<br>and Loan Association of Boston |         |
| Avedis Bayramshian et ux .....                                       | 1.00    |
| Avedis Bayramshian et ux .....                                       | 1.00    |
| Avedis Bayramshian et ux .....                                       | 1.00    |
| Avedis Bayramshian et ux .....                                       | 1.00    |
| George Sarris .....                                                  | 1.00    |
| George Sarris .....                                                  | 1.00    |
| Arthur R. Blackwell et ux .....                                      | 1.00    |
| Mtg: Medway Cooperative Bank                                         |         |
| Mtg: Alfred J. Welles et ux                                          |         |
| Arthur R. Blackwell et ux .....                                      | 1.00    |
| Ida Warsofsky .....                                                  | 1.00    |
| Mtg: Milford Cooperative Bank                                        |         |
| Mtg: Esther Lafstein                                                 |         |
| George Sarris .....                                                  | 1.00    |
| Charles M. Plimpton et ux .....                                      | 1.00    |
| Mtg: Medway Cooperative Bank                                         |         |
|                                                                      | <hr/>   |
|                                                                      | \$12.00 |



Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Protective Bylaw for the Town of Millis by adding to it Section 7 a new section which reads as follows: "No building or structure shall be erected or externally altered within the Town of Millis without a permit obtained from the Board of Selectmen"; and which is authorized by Section 12 of Chapter 40A of the Zoning Enabling Act, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Protective Bylaw for the Town of Millis by adding to Section V a new paragraph 5-6 to be worded as follows: "No lands subject to seasonal or periodic flooding by freshet or by surface water during heavy rain in such a manner as to endanger the health or safety of the occupants shall be used for residential purposes"; and which is authorized by Section 2 of Chapter 40A of the Zoning Enabling Act, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to strike out Section 1 of Article 1 of the Town By-Laws and substitute therefore the following: The Annual meeting for the election of officers and such other matters as may be voted on the official ballot will be held on the second Monday of January and the Annual Meeting for the transaction of business will be held on the First Monday of March, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to establish an Industrial Committee of five members the composition of which shall include the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, the Town Accountant and two members appointed by the Moderator. The purpose of this Committee to publicize through the Massachusetts Development Commission and similar agencies the availability and advantages of public or private land in Millis for selected Industrial Development. This Committee to report annually or at a Special Town Meeting if the Committee deem it advisable, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 48. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the use of the Industrial Committee, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 49. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate so that the Water Commissioners may within



three years bring about the installation of water meters for all users, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey to Benjamin G. and Julia T. Longo a lot of land, containing about 7200 square feet shown as lot 21 on a plan of land recorded in the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds, Book 1554, Page 252, for the sum of \$160.00, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to accept a boat and trailer, to be used for the Fire Department, given by the Niagara Engine Company, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to name the new elementary school building, erected in 1954, the Clyde F. Brown Elementary School, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 53. To see if the Town will vote to ask the Moderator to appoint a Committee to study and report to the next special or regular Town Meeting specific recommendations on the following subjects and to appropriate the sum of \$500. for the purpose of obtaining professional advice on this matter:

1. The coordination of town departments and functions in the interest of economy and efficiency.
2. To study the duties, responsibilities, time required to do their jobs properly, and thereafter to make recommendations on salaries of all elected or appointed town officers.
3. Changing the By-Laws so that the Tax Collector and Treasurer can be one and the same person and to fix his salary commensurate with the importance of the position and the time required to do it properly.

or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 54. To see if the Town will vote to accept that part of Walnut Street, given to the Town by Paul M. Grenier, for the purpose of widening roadway, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 55. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance,



or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 56. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 57. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to clear a larger area of Richardson's meadow to improve skating conditions, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 58. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new Police Car and to have the allowance on the old car applied against the cost of the new car, appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 59. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1500.00 for the purchase of a sander for the Highway Department, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 60. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the Board of Assessors for the purpose of publishing the full valuation and tax list as required by Section 11, Article 5, By-Laws of Millis, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 61. To see if the Town will vote to take the sum of \$40,000.00 from available funds for the purpose of its being used to reduce the direct 1955 tax rate, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 62. To see if the Town will choose, ask the Moderator or Selectmen to appoint a committee which shall report to the next special or regular Town Meeting on whatever matter is assigned to it at this meeting, or act in any manner relating thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies hereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by the vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, at the time and place of said meeting.



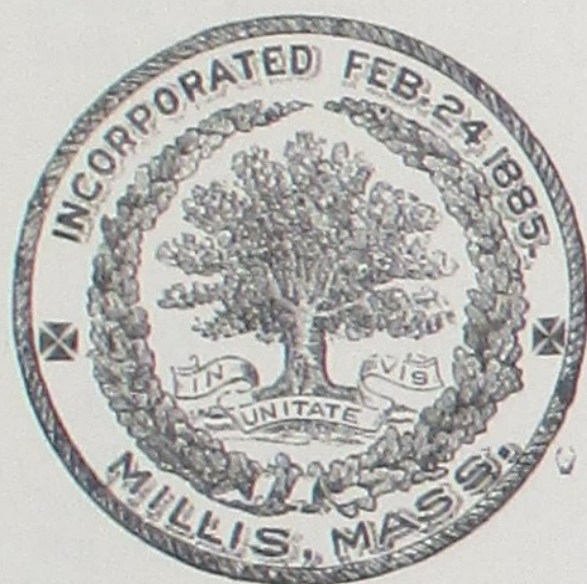
Given under our hands this twenty-first day of January in year  
of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-five.

MORRIS MUSHNICK

HORACE V. BALKAM

MICHAEL E. COLLINS

*Selectmen of Millis*



A True Copy.    Attest:



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FOR the LORD thy GOD  
bringeth thee into a good land  
a land of brooks of water,  
of fountains and depths that  
spring out of valleys and hills;  
A land of wheat, and barley,  
and vines, and fig trees,  
and pomegranates;  
a land of oil olive, and honey;  
A land wherein thou shalt eat bread  
without scarceness thou shalt not  
lack anything in it; a land  
whose stones are iron, and out  
of whose hills thou mayest  
dig brass.

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